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# Annual Report

## SUTTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE



**Year Ending December 31, 1974**





ANNUAL REPORT  
of Town Officers and Committees

SUTTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

and

VITAL STATISTICS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1974

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CLAREMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03743





## IN MEMORIAM

*In sincere respect this Town Report is dedicated to two outstanding citizens and their helpmates, who gave generously of their time and talent in service to the Town of Sutton.*



*Alice M. Cheney Davis*

*Jan. 10, 1891 -- April 28, 1974*

*Picture, 50th Wedding Anniversary*

*Arthur Eliphalet Davis*

*Sept. 30, 1884 -- Sept. 2, 1974*

*Arthur E. Davis*

*Selectman: 1921 - 1929; 1931 - 1949*

*Trustee of Trust Funds: 1930 - 1938*

*Auditor: 1930, 1956 -- 1964*

*Budget Committee: 1953 - 1958*

*Overseer of the Poor: 1938 - 1943*



*William B. Connor*

*Selectman: 1919, 1920, 1928 - 1954*

*School Moderator: 1933 - 1952*

*Town Moderator: 1936 - 1964*

*Auditor: 1956 - 1964*

*Planning Board: 1952 - 1956*

*Sadie Palmer Connor*

*August 16, 1888 -- April 20, 1966*

*Picture, 50th Wedding Anniversary*

*Dec. 24, 1959*

*William Barnard Connor*

*Feb. 12, 1887 -- Dec. 24, 1964*

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**TOWN OFFICERS**  
**Moderator**  
**Donald H. Lowe (1974 - 1976)**

**Assistant Moderator**  
**Ellsworth S. Harding (1975)**

**Selectmen**

Howard M. Smith  
Harold D. Hurd  
Robert S. Bristol

Term expires 1975  
Term expires 1976  
Term expires 1977

**Town Clerk**  
George H. Hosmer

**Town Treasurer**  
Irene C. Davis

**Tax Collector**  
George H. Hosmer

**Highway Agent**  
William R. Fifield

**Trustees of Trust Funds**

Thelma Curtis  
Stanley Chapman  
Ralph C. Bing  
James C. Allen

Term expires 1975  
Term expires 1977  
Resigned  
Resigned

**Auditors**

John J. Wooten

Estelle W. Rooney

**Trustees of the Library**

Eleanor C. Lewis  
Alice Keller  
Jean A. Gerhard  
Catherine Gill  
Amelia R. Chapman  
Barbara Wade

Term expires 1975  
Term expires 1975  
Term expires 1976  
Term expires 1976  
Term expires 1977  
Term expires 1977

**Police Department**

Eugene F. Crowdle, Chief  
Joan Crowdle, Police Matron

Myron C. Traynor, Special Officer  
Ronald Dalrymple, Special Officer  
Michael C. Pugliese, Special Officer

**Building Inspector**  
Herman F. Wunderlich



**Overseer of Public Welfare**

George H. Hosmer, Sr.

**Health Officer**

John J. Wooten

(James C. M. Tillinghast - deceased 7/10/74)

**Librarian**

Jeannette R. Couch

**Supervisors of the Check List**

Thelma W. Curtis

Term expires 1980

Rose Hanamoto

Term expires 1978

Alfred N. Fauver (appointed)

Term expires 1976

David B. Rayno (resigned)

**Custodian of the Town Hall**

Mary Csutor

**Fire Chief**

Carroll L. Thompson

**Forest Fire Warden**

Carroll L. Thompson

**Budget Committee**

George G. Wells

Term expires 1975

Andrew J. Chalmers

Term expires 1975

Harold B. Rowe

Term expires 1976

Robert E. Preston

Term expires 1976

Carroll L. Thompson

Term expires 1977

Darrell Palmer

Town expires 1977

**Planning Board**

George G. Wells

Term expires 1975

Arthur J. Lewis III

Term expires 1975

John H. Hearne

Term expires 1976

Carlton R. Bradford (resigned 12/10/74)

Term expires 1976

Suzanne McNamara

Term expires 1977

William C. King

Term expires 1977

Howard M. Smith, ex-officio

Term expires 1975

Barbar L. Gorton (resigned)



### **Board of Adjustment**

Henry G. Carnavale	Term expires 1975
John H. Harrington	Term expires 1976
Carrole Whitcomb	Term expires 1977
John H. Hearne	Term expires 1978
Ellsworth S. Harding	Term expires 1979
James C. M. Tillinghast (deceased July 10, 1974)	

### **Trustees of Old Store Museum**

Dawson Fulton, 1975	Irene C. Davis, 1977
Nellie Netolicky, 1976	Barbara Allen, 1978
T. Norton Prescott, 1979	Myrtle R. Wells, Consultant Life tenure.

### **Conservation Commission**

Howard M. Smith, 1975	John Mansell, 1975
Richard L. Emerson, 1976	Lawrence Goldthwaite, 1977

### **New Fire House Committee**

Weston A. Chadwick	Earl A. Rowe
John H. Hearne	Homer E. Rayno
Thaddeus C. Johnson	

### **Representative to Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council**

Robert E. Preston	Howard M. Smith
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### **Dog Constable** Ronald Dalrymple

### **Refuse Disposal Planning Committee**

Ellsworth S. Harding	Donald E. Rowe
Darrell Palmer	Pauline Mansell
George Harkins	

### **Town History Reprint Committee**

Winifred Chadwick	Irene C. Davis
Katherine Palmer	Marguerite B. Rowe

## REPORT FROM THE ROUND ROOM

### PROLOGUE

As nearly as possible to make recognition official, and to make it permanent in the records this Town Report is dedicated to William Barnard Connor, his wife, Sadie Palmer Connor, and to Arthur Eliphalet Davis, his wife, Alice M. Cheney Davis. They gave generously of their lives; a full measure of devoted service to the Town of Sutton; this acknowledgment of their unstinting service is belated, but in earnest. As husband/wife teams they are honored together for each member of each couple shared in the joys and burdens of their years of service.

William Connor was born in the Hemlock Corner section of Henniker on an anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birthday, February 12, 1887.

His father passed away when he was quite young so William and his brother John learned to "work the farm" at an early age. William and John learned to handle a pair of horses, did the maple sugaring, got in the yearly wood supply, did the haying, gardening and hauled lumber.

William entered high school at the age of thirteen, and attended two years because he was needed to run the farm for his mother.

He was a member of Bear Hill Grange of Henniker and when visiting grange at Contoocook he was introduced to Miss Sadie Palmer of Sutton. On Christmas eve 1909 they were married at South Sutton by Reverend Dustin Davis.

William served two terms in the State Legislature, he was selectman of Sutton for twenty-eight years, Moderator of the School Meeting nineteen years; Moderator of the Town Meeting twenty-eight years; an Auditor for eight years, and Planning Board member for four.

Arthur Davis, a native son of Sutton, was born September 30, 1884, son of Walter and Isadora (Smith) Davis.

Arthur engaged in the lumbering business, sheep raising, dairy farming and was an ardent sugar maker. He and his wife, Alice, joined enthusiastically in Grange and Church work. They were long-time members of the Grange, oft-times as officers and always good workers -- leading stars in the annual Grange Fair. They were energetic promoters of Old Home Day and faithful workers in the First Baptist Church of Sutton (North) serving as Deacon and Deaconess; Arthur was Treasurer for forty-five years.

Arthur's political career started with his appointment as Ballot Clerk in 1916. He was Representative to the General Court in 1918 before he was a Selectman. His service as Selectman was for a total of twenty-six years; he was also a Trustee of the Trust Funds for eight years; Auditor for eight years; Member of the Budget Committee for five years; and Overseer of the Poor for five years.

The records of the lives of these citizens speak for themselves; although they were on the Board of Selectmen concurrently their service to the Town in that capacity was for a total of fifty-four years. How can more be said.

After this brief review of these distinguished careers we come to the point of reporting on the affairs of the Town in 1974 - a different "ball game" than that in which Arthur and William played, yet with many of the same basic rules.

What Happened in 1974?

TAXES

As always the most sensitive part of the Tax Payer's body is the pocket book nerve and tax bills are particularly effective in stimulating this part of the anatomy into activity. 1974 taxes were especially well designed to stimulate pocket book nerves. It is easy to see why as the amount of money to be raised increased overall 21% from the previous year; an increase in Dollars of \$73,600.00. The total amount of money required to be raised was \$419,105.97. (There was a time, more than ten years ago, when we thought that \$100,000 would be a "pinnacle" which we might reach!) This 21% increase in money raised was based on a valuation only increased by 4.8% so there was an inevitable increase in rate to the tune of 14.9%, or up \$4.50 per \$1000 of valuation. Or if you like more dramatic effects consider increases in money to be raised and compare five years ago with 1974: + 186,770.00 or 80.4% increase; and compare 1974 with ten years ago: + \$308,309.00, or 278.3%!!!

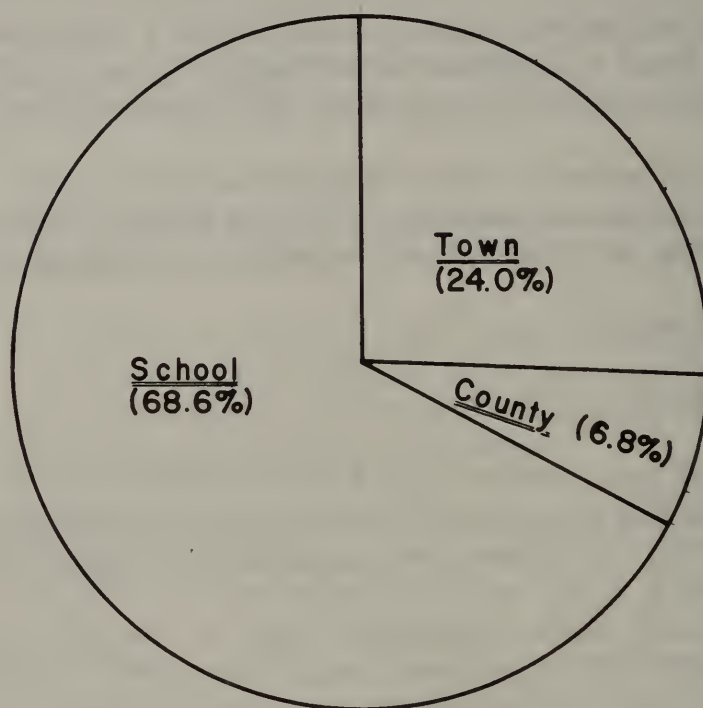
Who gets what share of these Tax Dollars. See pie graph "Share of Tax Dollars" and you see that the Town accounts for about one quarter (1/4) of these Dollars; the School sucks up 65% of them, the County lagging behind at 07%. Also compare this pie with the pie of 1969 and the share of Dollars for Town purposes has shrunk 14.5% while the School monies have increased 12.1%. The change in the County's share is only 1.7%.

As to the increase in numbers of Dollars and percentages 1974 v. 1973 it looks like this:

Town	+ \$ 5,325.00	+ 5.53
County	+ 755.00	+ 2.76
School	+ \$62,910.00	+28.56

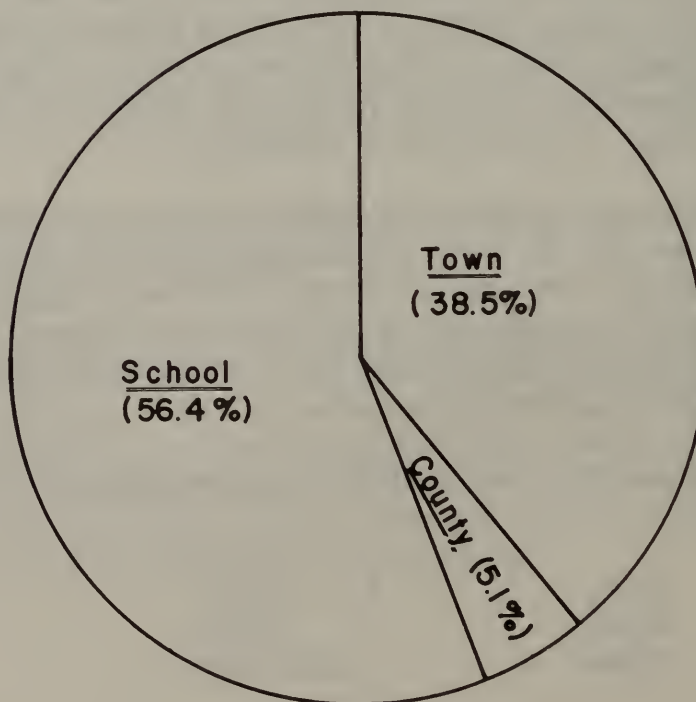
# SHARE of TAX DOLLAR

TOWN, COUNTY, SCHOOL



1974

TAX RATE =  
\$ 34.80 per 1000

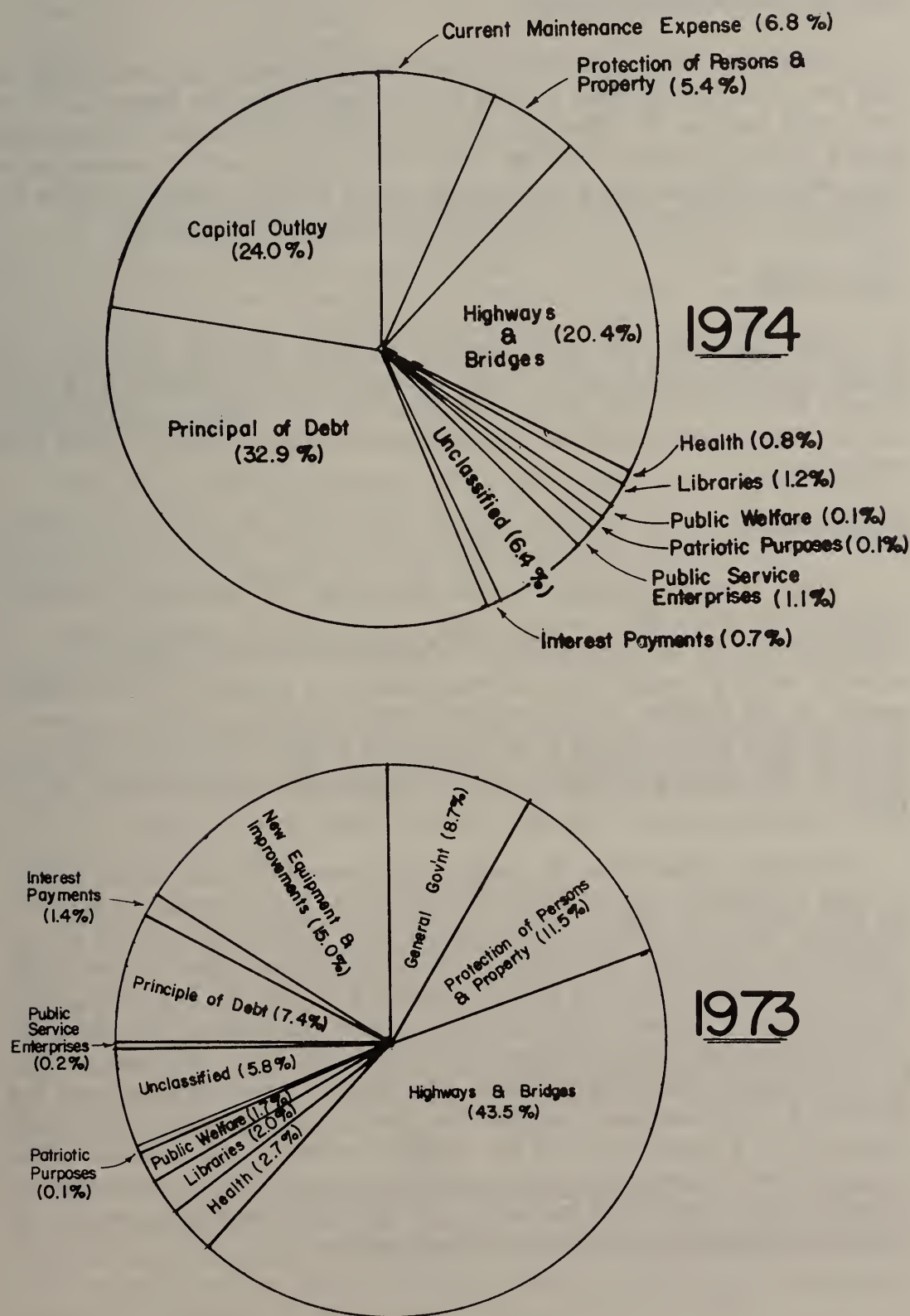


1969

TAX RATE =  
\$ 30.00 per 1000



# COMPARATIVE SHARE OF APPROPRIATIONS



Obviously the importance of what goes on at School meeting is nearly three times greater than that which is voted at Town Meeting, the School absorbing nearly 70% of YOUR Tax Dollar v. the Town's share of nearly 25%.

### How the Town's Share is Divided

Within the Town's piece of the pie there is a dramatic shift in the share of that pie, 1973 v. 1974. That is swing from a large segment for highways (1973) to a large segment for principal of debt (1974). The Highway Department getting the same number of Dollars each of those years, but the proportion of their share shrinking because of a large amount of Dollars committed to debt for Capital improvements, viz. Fire House, shovel-loader, and revaluation.

### VALUATION

Now the other side of the familiar equation, valuation, has been only briefly mentioned and noted as having increased only modestly at 4.8%. This increase was a "real" one, that is, valuations were not raised across the board, but the increase was based on new additions to the assessables - actual new construction.

### EXEMPTIONS

There is an "interesting", or should we say an "alarming" growth in exempted valuation. May we say at the outset that all exemptions are not considered evil, in fact the objects of exemptions are often laudable. There is certainly nothing "wrong" with an exemption for a Veteran, or for an elderly person, or for someone who is environmentally oriented and who can better afford to grow trees or grass if his tax burden is lightened; in fact the latter promotes the open space and rural atmosphere that is characteristic of the Town.

However, consider that all exemptions requested decrease the tax base by 3% with a consequent rise in rate of 3%. Please note the accompanying graphics; the Dollar bill in its entirety represents the total valuation of \$12,102,575.00 **without** any exemptions. The Dollar bill with the edge torn away represents the 3% loss via exemptions for all purposes, that is \$357,190.00. The other graphic representation is the scale with the money bags in the balance. The upper one shows the gross value bag at its heaviest with no loss due to exemptions, the Tax Rate bag is lighter with a rate of \$34.60. The lower scale shows the valuation bag lightened by the exemption loss and the rate bag getting heavier with a rate increased by 3% and a rate \$1.10 per \$1000 of valuation higher because of the decreased base of assessables. Simply, a 3% decrease of tax base by exempting property value causes a 3% increase in the rate, and **everybody** pays the 3% increase **including** the people who get the exemptions.

There are three (main) types of exemptions: Veterans, Elderly, and Current Use Value (CUV). Of the total exempted property they account for the following shares:

	\$ Value	% of Total
Veterans	\$127,873.00	35.8
Elderly	\$ 49,500.00	13.9
CUV	<u>\$179,820.00</u>	<u>50.3</u>
	\$357,193.00	100.0

Let us look in some detail at what happens to four classes of tax payers when all exemptions are allowed and as above the rate goes up for everybody \$1.10 per \$1000 of value, or 3%up. The four classes of citizens are: Mr. “A”, who gets no exemption of any kind; Mr. “B” who gets CUV consideration; Mr. “C” a Veteran; and Mr. “D” who gets an Elderly exemption. Each property of each of these gentlemen is valued at \$25,000.00. With no exemptions allowed on anything anywhere in Town each would have a tax bill of \$865.00, with the rate at \$3.46 per \$1000.00.

Mr. “B” (CUV) is exempted on \$2,000 of value, the Veteran gets his straight \$50 off his tax bill, and old Mr. “D” is allowed the \$3,300.00 (66% of \$5,000.00 in Sutton). With all exemptions allowed in the Town the following things happen to our friends, “A”, “B”, “C”, and “D”.

First, Mr. “A” with no breaks pays 3% more, or \$27.50, or .08 cents more per day for the year.

Mr. “B” (CUV) pays \$821.10, or \$43.90 less, or a 5% reduction, or .12 cents less per day for the year. However, he is paying \$1.10 more per each \$1,000 of the valuation remaining to be taxed after the \$2,000 exemption. That is \$25.30 more on the remaining value, so his real “saving” is \$18.60, or .05 cents per day for the year.

Mr. “C” the Veteran’s reduction is \$50.00 straight off his bill. His tax figured at the higher rate (3% increase due to all exemptions allowed) is \$892.50, or \$27.50 more than when his tax is figured at the lower rate. Anyway, \$50.00 is subtracted from the \$892.50 and he pays \$842.50. But this is only \$22.50 less than the \$865.00 he would have paid if the tax base had been left intact, and his taxes had been figured at the lower rate. His \$50.00 deduction is \$27.50 less valuable than intended. He has a 3% reduction, or 0.06 cents less per day to pay for the year.

Mr. “D”, the old man, pays \$774.69, or \$90.31 less, or a 10% decrease, or .25 cents less per day for the year. However, he is paying \$1.10 more on each of \$1000 of value remaining to be taxed after the \$3,300.00 exemption, or \$23.87 more on that balance, so his real “saving” is \$66.44, not \$90.31, or .18 cents per day, not .25 cents per day for the year; an 8% reduction, not 10%.



The above is summarized in this Table:

	Mr. "A" (no exempt)	Mr. "B" (CUV)	Mr. "C" (Veteran)	Mr. "D" (Elderly)
Valuation	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Tax, no ex. @ \$3.46	865.00	865.00	865.00	865.00
Exemption allowed	---	2,000.00	---	3,300.00
Remaining value	25,000.00	23,000.00	25,000.00	21,700.00
Tax, all ex. @ \$3.57	892.50	821.10	892.50	774.69
Discount	---	---	50.00	---
Bill presented	892.00	821.10	842.50	774.69
Increase/decrease	+27.50	43.90	22.50	90.31
% Inc./Dec.	+03%	- 05%	- 03%	- 10%
Per diem, inc/dec.	+08 c	- .12 c	- .06 c	- .25 c
Tax on bal. inc. rate	---	+25.30	+27.50	+23.87
Real "Saving"	---	-18.60	-22.50	-66.44
Real per diem Sav.	---	- .05 c	- .06 c	- .18 c
Real % "Saving"	---	- .02%	- .03%	- .08%

At this point it is left to you, gentle reader, as to what you think of the erosion of the tax base by exemptions and to allow you to draw your own conclusions from the above. But just some questions:

Of what avail if the reduction of the base results in a higher rate?

Are the resulting "savings" fair and proportionate among the several classes of tax payers?

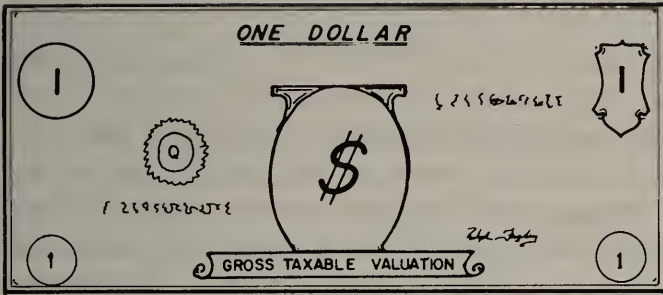
At what point does a climbing rate wipe out any advantage any one exempted person may have "gained"?

Who makes up for what some one else doesn't pay?

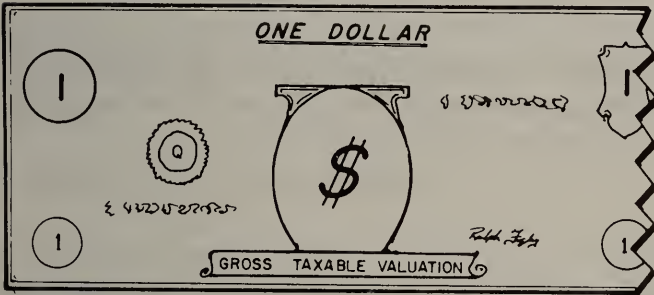
What happens to your neighbor's tax bill when yours is reduced?

In the broader view (1) if the property tax is to support all present services how much of the foundation can be removed before the structure can no longer be supported? (2) Is the Legislature going to develop more requirements, viz. Solid Waste Disposal, Tax Mapping, that require additional property taxes and at the same time erode the base with exemption? We suggest that what has been shown above is only the beginning, that there are going to be many more requests for exemptions and consequent loss of assessables, only to drive the rate higher. We trust that we are not alarmists, but, frankly, the situation is not improving. And we repeat we have no "beef" with any of the types of exemptions, each is for a worthwhile reason.



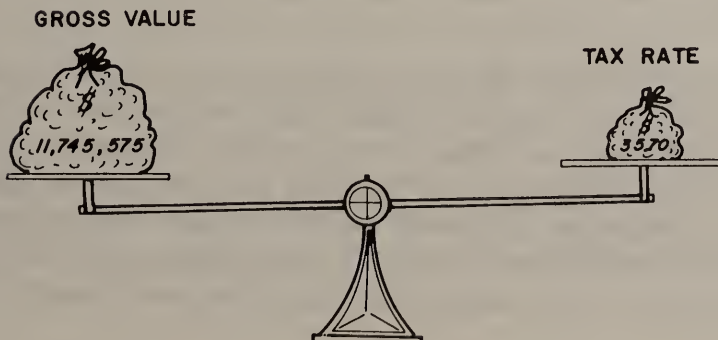
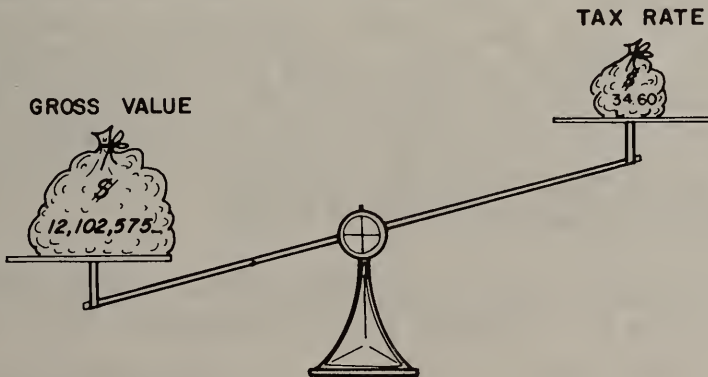


Gross Value = \$ 12,102,575.<sup>00</sup>  
(WITHOUT EXEMPTIONS)



Gross Value = \$ 11,745,385.<sup>00</sup>  
(WITH EXEMPTIONS)

Exemptions = \$ 357,190.<sup>00</sup> or 3%  
of Total Gross Value



## **REVALUATION**

The 1974 Annual Meeting voted to have all taxable property in Town appraised by representatives of the Department of Revenue Administration and that work is in progress. That is, the appraisers worked through the Fall into about December, and then ceased operations to come back in the Spring. No one, but no one in the Town of Sutton, including the Selectmen, has an inkling of any of the results of their work. The appraisals are released only when the entire job is completed. The new valuations will be used to compute 1975 taxes.

## **MACHINERY PURCHASES**

A new "Caterpillar" shovel-loader was acquired as authorized by the 1974 vote - \$275.00 less than the amount appropriated. The four wheel drive truck was not delivered until into 1974, having been ordered in 1973.

## **NEW FIRE HOUSE**

This new structure is nearing completion and it is expected that moving day from the old remodeled blacksmith shop on Route No. 114 to the new North Road site may be in March, or as early in the Spring as possible.

There were serious problems early in the year, and these were solved happily in a clear demonstration of how well things can be done at the local level, and that "home rule" is a good rule. Isn't it good to rediscover this after being brain-washed for years that Concord and Washington were our saviours (now case "s"). We commend to your reading the "Report of the Firehouse Building Committee" to be found elsewhere in this Town Report, and also the special picture section with some of the shots taken by Paul Kyburg during the construction of the building. The old photographs of the old housing of the Fire Department are from the collection of George V. West.

It should be noted that this new Fire House is the first time that the Town of Sutton has provided its own shelter for the fire apparatus; that Vernon West, through his own efforts, built the addition on the Vernondale Store. And after he sold out the store business he purchased and remodeled the old blacksmith shop, giving these premises to the Town by deed.

## **KEYSER LAKE**

After the 1974 Annual Meeting it became known that a relatively new Environmental Protection Agency (Federal) has a requirement for a permit for anyone (including Towns) to discharge waste waters. It appeared that there was need for the Town of Sutton to have legal and technical help to cope with this new facet of the continuing problem of the New London sewer plant discharge into Lyon Brook and thence to Keyser Lake. Accordingly, we petitioned, through an attorney, to the Merrimack County Superior Court for a Special

Town Meeting. Our request was granted by a decree of that Court held in Concord, May 23, 1974. Equity No. 21574, authorizing the holding of a Special Town Meeting:

DECREE: It is found that an emergency exists which may require an immediate expenditure of money. The Town of Sutton is granted permission to hold a special town meeting for the purposes set forth in the petition of the Selectmen dated May 22, 1974, which meeting shall be held on Monday, June 17, 1974. Said meeting shall have all the authority of an annual meeting.

A special report: "In Defense of Sutton and Kezar Lake" written by Doug Knight is included as a part of this Report from the Rounge Room, but appears at the conclusion. Mr. Knight's report is required reading to get a handle on the intricacies of the E.P.A. Hearing and related matters.

## COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

The Planning Board undertook to develop a Master Plan for Sutton. The first step was to find out what the citizens want their town to be. The answer(s) was (were) found as the result of a Questionnaire. The most telling answer from this query was that 'they wanted Sutton to be (a) rural residential (community) with limited services.'! For further details of this study see the "Annual Report -- 1974 -- Planning Board".

We congratulate the Planning Board on taking this step toward comprehensive planning. It is good to have stirred interest and participation of many people, and the plan itself as it develops should be an important corner stone of the ordinances of zoning and subdivision as related to the wishes of the townspeople. We accept with regret resignations from the Planning Board of Mrs. Barbara L. Gorton, Mrs. Carlton R. Bradford, Mr. John H. Hearne, and Mr. Arthur J. Lewis. The Town is grateful to these Board members for their interest and their sensitivity to the needs of the community.

## TOWN HISTORY REPRINT

The reprint of the 1890 Town History is progressing well; delay in procuring and selecting period photographs postponed the publication date to February 15, 1975. It is expected with some certainty that the completed books will be in hand before Town Meeting Day. Sales have been good and at this writing only 17 of the numbered copies remain to be sold. The pictures, a Proprietors' Lot Plan, Foreword, and a dust jacket, are the new features of the book. Plus the old features: the black cover with gold lettering, the end papers, family engravings, and, of course, identical type-face. Even the incorrectly numbered P. 219 that appears as 119; an error not discovered until the close examination in the proof reading.



A committee was appointed to handle the many details and the sales of the reprinted history: Mrs. Paul F. Chadwick, Mrs. Donald C. Davis, Mrs. Ronald S. Palmer, and Mrs. Earl A. Rowe. These ladies have been styled the "Sutton Archivists". They are to be credited with a collection of nearly 800 slides made of old pictures of Sutton, and from which the pictures in the reprint have come.

## **SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL**

As per statute burning dumps are to be halted July 1, 1975. Our dump is no exception, of course, and we did some preliminary investigation, including a trip to Durham and a re-cycling operation in Nottingham. We also explored inter-town cooperation and held some discussions with our neighbors, Newbury and Bradford. To carry on our efforts to find a solution to this knotty problem a "Refuse Disposal Planning Committee" was appointed: Mr. Ellsworth S. Harding, Chairman, and the following members: Mr. George Harkins, Mrs. Pauline Mansell, Mr. Darrell Palmer, and Mr. Donald Rowe.

This committee has worked diligently, and produced a fine report which is printed elsewhere in this Town Report.

As the deadline draws nearer the definition of a solution becomes clearer, and by Town Meeting time there will probably be some proposals on which the Town can act. We believe in the success of "home rule" as we pointed out above in regard to the Fire House construction, and we are confident that this competent committee will lead us to the right dump. Unless by chance the Legislature changes the rules of the game in the middle of a Sanitary Landfill, or other obnoxious site.

## **PERAMBULATIONS**

And now to a subject that is just plain fun -- perambulating the Town lines. We walked the New London line on November 02, 1974, and the Bradford line on November 09; they are the easiest to do, without the challenge of Kearsarge Mountain on the Warner line, or the swamps and reservoir on the Newbury line, not to mention the seven miles of distance on the east and west borders. Or, perhaps, it is simple amusement for simple minds. However, the great and good General Court indicated in recent legislation that perambulation is serious enough business to require the filing of the "returns" with the Secretary of State. Accompanying this Report are pictures of our doings.

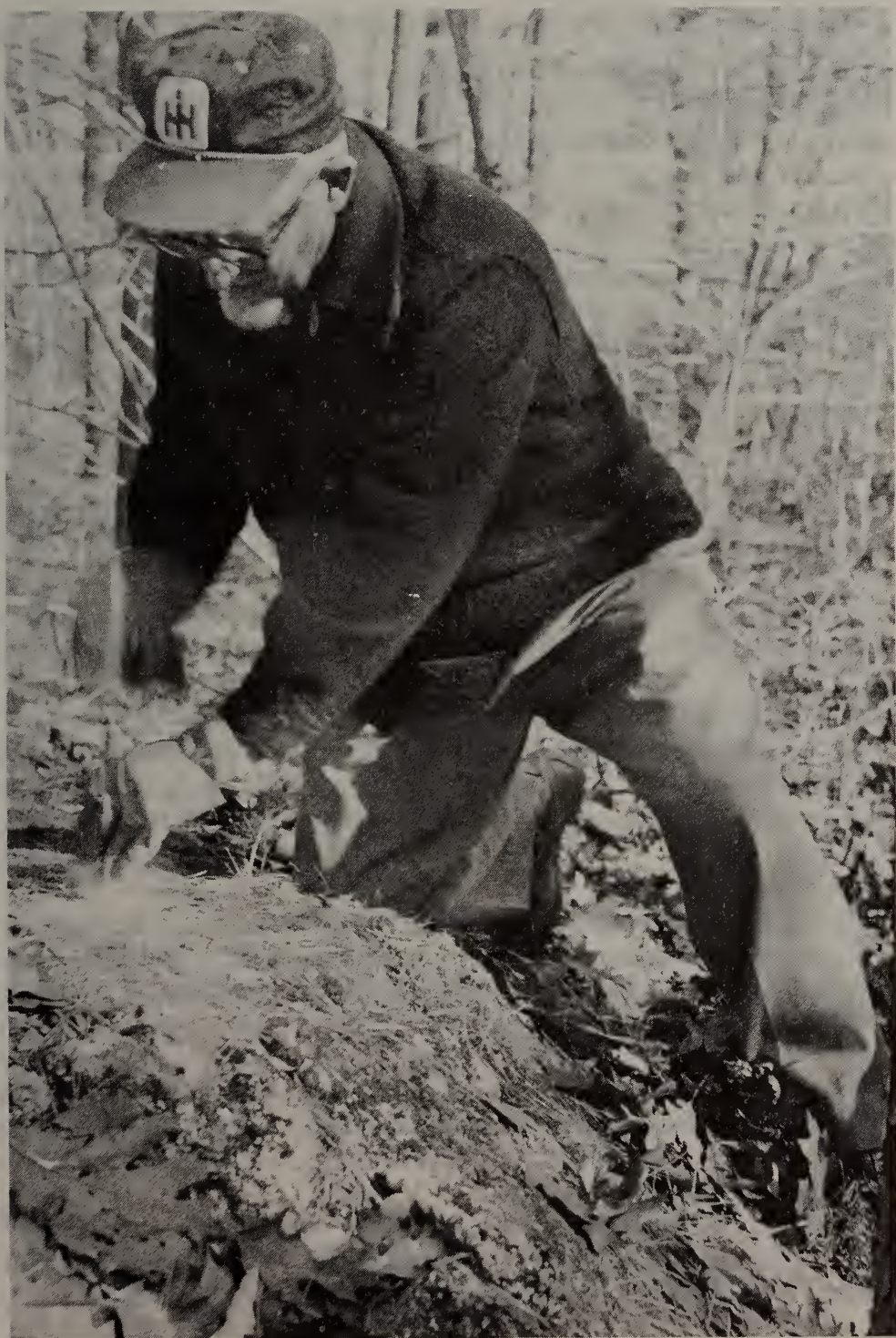
And that is what happened, in part, in 1974; and now to the business at hand for 1975:











## LOOKING AHEAD

### The Warrant for the Annual Meeting

**Budget Matters** -- the thinking of the Budget Committee is evidenced by the final figure that is presented in the Warrant for a total estimated amount to be raised by property taxes for town purposes after subtracting estimated receipts. The theme emerged as 'hold the line' and 'reduce wherever possible' as one listened to the committee's deliberations. The total to be supported by taxes is \$22,000,000 less than in 1974, or a 22% decrease. This is a decrease in the same percentile as the entire requirements (Town, County, School) increased last year. But, remember, that the Town budget only accounts for 25%; the School amounts to 65% of the total.

### Some Comments, Article by Article:

#### Article 01

(1) Increase in Town Hall on account of anticipated repairs.

(2) Increase in Police Department takes up the slack in place of balance carried over from 1973. It appears to the Committee that the Town is not ready, financially, for a full-time department, since the proposal was in the neighborhood of \$40,000.00. The amount in the Article is expected to give the same sort of coverage as in the past, with heaviest attention being given in the months April -- October. If additional help is needed the State Police may be solicited as it is noted that the number of Troopers has increased in the past year.

(3) Insurance increased to allow for purchasing liability coverage for officers and employees when the rule of immunity of cities and towns for tort will be abolished as of July 1, 1975. Unless the Legislature passes legislation that is pending to re-establish immunity.

(4) \$500.00 reduction in amount asked for interest on temporary loans on the idea that interest on delinquent taxes will continue to be enough to pay this cost.

(5) \$2,175.00 increase in amount asked to pay interest on Long Term Notes is due to the \$46,400.00 borrowed to build the fire house (\$37,400.00 @ 06.5%) and \$9,000.00 to buy the loader @ 05.%.

(6) No money requested for the care of cemeteries as income from lot and yard funds is sufficient to pay all costs? at least for one year.



Article 02

No additional funds requested for the Highway Department in spite of inflationary influences as the Department expects to be able to operate within the same limits as they did last year. A reduction of the amount for street lights since \$2,100.00 was adequate in 1974. For repair of a certain bridge there is money available from a Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.

Articles 04 and 05

These are a new subject, viz. ambulance service. It was felt that the two emergency squads in each of two neighboring towns should be treated alike in the matter of money; even though the New London group asked for three times the amount proposed; the Bradford Rescue Squad made no request.

Article 06

As explained in the Report “In Defense – Kezar Lake” additional funds may be needed to hold the ground that has been gained in the matter of the E.P.A. permit to discharge waste waters into the Kezar Lake water shed.

Article 07

This is the best estimate of money needed to provide the service required by Statute for Solid Waste Disposal. As explained above more factors are expected to be known by voting time Town Meeting Day.

Article 10

The Budget Committee recommended postponing the purchase of a new truck for the Highway Department until another year, basing their opinion on the condition and numbers of the present “rolling stock”, the state of the National economy, and the desire to “hang in there”. However, they want to continue the highway equipment program instituted many years ago, and it is that system that has kept our machines in good order, and our replacements on schedule. The program is based on an annual appropriation of \$8,000.00 and the present status of the plan is best represented by this Table:

Year	Total	Truck	Loader	Capital Reserve Fund
1974	\$8,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,500.00	-----
1975	\$8,000.00	----	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00
1976	\$8,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	-----

## Articles 11 and 12

An important action of the Budget Committee was to suggest the use of the anticipated Federal Revenue Sharing receipts, amounting to \$17,000.00 in the direction of reducing taxes. These articles ask that this Federal money be used in specific ways. The requests are “hedged” somewhat in the event the revenues are not as much as expected, and the Selectmen, by these Articles, are authorized to make pro-rata reductions.

## Other Than Budget Matters

### Article 15

This Article asks consideration of the acceptance of the bequest of Bernard A. Howe of \$1,000.00 to establish a playground on land between the Town garages and the Sutton Centre Church. The offer expires if not accepted in April of this year. While we recognize the generosity of the donor, the possible value of the installation of a playground in that location appears doubtful. The sum of \$1,000.00 seems low in view of the work required to be done on that site.

### Article 17

This Article is inserted by petition of John H. Hearne and seventeen signatories, and in it is asked the adoption by the Town of an ordinance with a temporary limiting influence on the subdivision of land. An Action of this sort appears to be in harmony with the thinking expressed in the answers to the questionnaire received by the Planning Board in their first step forward toward the Comprehensive Plan. This subject was mentioned above and is treated more fully in the “Annual Report -- 1974 -- Planning Board”.

## Articles 18, 19, 20

These Articles deal with the National Flood Insurance Program. Adoption of these articles and an amendment to the Building Code are needed to complete application requirements for becoming eligible for this Insurance program within the framework of New Hampshire planning statutes. These are two strong practical reasons to join the Flood Insurance Program:

(1) No Federal financial assistance after July 01, 1975 for use in any flood prone area unless the community in which the area is situated is participating in the flood insurance program.

(2) No mortgage loans from banks Federally supervised, regulated, or **insured**, after July 01, 1975, on real estate in an area identified as a flood area, unless the community in which the area is situated is participating in the national flood insurance program.

Sutton has been notified by the Federal Insurance Administration that there are areas subject to flooding, and we have at hand many copies of "Flood Hazard Boundary Maps". Three other maps that lie within the corporate limits of the Town are not printed for lack of data. The two maps that we do have cover Lyon Brook to Keyser Lake, and the second one from the Wilmot Road along the course of Stevens Brook between Route I-89, including also Palmer Pond and the brook on the easterly side of the lower Gore Road.

We already have some of the requirements for application to the National Flood Insurance Program: (1) A Planning Board with subdivision approval authority. (2) Adopted regulations for subdivision. (3) A building permit system. Articles 18, 19, 20 will provide other missing pieces. The last link to complete the application is an amendment to the Building Code, but this must be done in accordance with RSA 156A:1d which requires a series of hearings and a ballot vote. A schedule for these events will be set up after Town Meeting.

The following is a quotation from a letter to the Selectmen from the Office of Comprehensive Planning (N.H.) and may be an aid to understanding the Federal Flood Insurance Program:

"The National Flood Insurance Program has as its main purpose the reduction of future flood losses. The Program provides the availability of flood insurance coverage to property owners in flood prone areas and requires that communities, at a future time, control land useage in their floodplains."

"This means that the purchase of flood insurance will be required by all **federally insured banks** and other federally related funding institutions prior to granting a loan for the purchase of **existing** floodprone structures, construction of new buildings in a fllood prone land area, or **improvements** to existing structures which are subject to flooding. Mortgage loans, home improvement loans, federal disaster loans, and community assistance loans are **all** affected, requiring that the lender receive assurance of flood insurance coverage on the project loan request";

"Any municipality may become eligible in the flood insurance program by completing the application requirements. However, communities which have been designated floodprone (Sutton has been) **must** be eligible to participate in the program prior to July 1, 1975, or one year from the date of their notification, whichever is later. The notification letter is sent by the Federal Insurance Administration in Washington and includes copies of the locality's Flood Hazard Boundary Map along with application forms. Flood insurance **cannot** be purchased until the community becomes eligible for flood insurance sale by making application to the Federal Insurance Administration.



Articles 21, 22, 23 concern roads.

**Article 21** is about closing, subject to gates and bars, a part of Harvey Road, approximately 1,940 feet in length from the intersection of Harvey Road with the Hominy Pot Road thence southerly to near the present residence of Mr. John Knox. This road has no dwellings on it, and has been in disrepair for a number of years. A culvert near the Hominy Pot end is completely washed out. The proposal to close subject to gates and bars means that the Town does not give up its rights to the land for highway purposes, but does get out of the responsibility to maintain the road.

**Article 22** is a request to designate the Corporation Hill/Wadleigh Hill Road as a scenic highway. This is not an alarming act as has sometimes been believed. It is simply a way of preserving the rural charm of which Sutton is justly famous: an attribute that many come here to find, and, sadly, is a part of our heritage that is being taken away all too frequently. The restriction about work on the road applies to rebuilding, or major repairs, regular maintenance is not affected.

“New Hampshire’s most priceless heritage is its scenery and tradition. The greatest majority of our exposure to these is from an automobile. Therefore it becomes important that not all roads be solely “corridors of commerce” but opportunities for a better relationship with the natural and manmade environment. A scenic road can accomplish this. A scenic road is “...one which lies lightly upon the land.” Less poetically, the New Hampshire scenic road law says that the voters of a town at any annual town meeting may designate any road as scenic highways.”

“A ‘scenic road’ designation does not affect the eligibility of the town to receive town road aid (TRA) funds from the State Department of Public Works and Highways under RSA 241 for that road. Selectmen, when requesting TRA monies for a scenic road, shall ask the highway commissioner to suspend the usual TRA specifications. The commissioner must comply with the request to suspend the specifications. However, the width specifications are those which are normally suspended while all other specifications remain in effect.”

“A scenic road utilizes indigenous natural or historic surroundings; has distinguishing characteristics; provides the traveler an opportunity for unique visual experiences; varies visual experiences; and carries a light volume of traffic.”

“A scenic road is a class IV, V, or VI highway; incorporates prominent visual features such as boulders, old stone walls, fences, outlooks and picturesque trees or other vegetation; should safely accommodate slowing or stopping traffic; has no drastic cut and fill banks; is relatively free of commercial or intensive development? has a “design speed” conducive to a drive of moderate speed but is not laid out to encourage constant speeds has surfacing (hard or



soft) which blends with road shoulders; should mold itself to the terrain as much as possible favoring dips and hollows to leveling cuts and fills; incorporates a natural blending of road side improvements such as culverts, ditches, drainage pipes, shoulders, abutments, etc.; gives priority to roadside and overhanging vegetation as well as the historic setting of the area; should not have billboards; on-premise advertising necessary for shops, home industries and farm produce should be as subdued and “native” as possible; provides appropriate scenic outlooks.” Quotations above are from “Fact Sheet 6” prepared by the **Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests**.

#### **Article 23.**

This article asks for the acceptance of a subdivision street. The road described in the proposal has been built to the specifications of the Subdivision Ordinance and the road has been examined by the Town’s Road Agent.

#### **Article 24.**

This asks for the acceptance of 915 feet of road in John Clough subdivision starting on the northerly side of Whiskey Pine Road. This road was built to subdivision standards and has been examined by the Road Agent.

#### **Article 25.**

Requested here is acceptance of Bass Point Road; this has been in existence for a long period of time and serves several residences.

#### **FINIS**

Has everything been said that needs to be said? We trust that in this variety of subjects that information has been given that will aid you in your decisions of how to vote on the issues of the day. There is always the nagging thought that something has been overlooked; please be charitable in your judgment if we have missed a point or two.

For the Town we say thank you to all the dedicated people who are working in the best interests of our community; most of you are doing your job gratis, the only pay being your personal feeling of satisfaction; surely it is not for the glory of it, or the praise showered on you by your fellow citizens!! A special word of thanks to George H. Hosmer for his conscientious efforts to keep the intricacies of the Tax Collector’s and Town Clerk’s offices from being a snarl, and for getting the money to the Treasurer regularly and frequently. We day thanks too, to all the various committees that have submitted narrative-type reports for inclusion in this Town Report; we submit that this type of reporting is far more effective than columns and columns of figures.

## **SUPPER-ELECTION DAY**

March 4, Election Day, a public supper will be served in the dining room of the Town Hall from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. Proceeds for the benefit of the King's Daughters.

## **NOTICE**

**NO SMOKING WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE MEETING ROOM OR CORRIDOR OF THE TOWN HALL DURING THE ANNUAL MEETING.**

## REPORT OF THE FIREHOUSE BUILDING COMMITTEE

The new Firehouse will soon be ready for use. The Building Committee wishes to record some of the key actions and decisions taken in the past twelve months that made its construction possible.

Following the Town Meeting last year, when the voters selected the Firehouse site in North Sutton and appropriated \$60,000 for construction, the Committee's first action was to adopt a formal bidding procedure for selection of the construction contractor. This decision made it necessary to have detailed plans and specifications, so it was decided to obtain the services of an architect to prepare these documents. The proposal of William R. Mahoney, Architect of Concord, was accepted on April 13, 1973, at an agreed fee of \$300.00 plus the cost of printing the documents. On April 14, John F. Kennedy of Charlestown was contracted to make a test boring at the firehouse site. Thanks to the generous donation of time and effort by the members of the Fire Department, the las was cleared of trees and brush, facilitating access to the building site for the boring rig, and for later construction work. The boring was completed on April 30, showing excellent subsoil conditions consisting of ten feet of dense sand and sandy silt over ledge rock. Mr. Allan V. Evans of New London was retained to design the sewage disposal system. On his recommendation it was judged necessary to use a pumped system, with the leaching field located across North Road on high ground. Mr. Evans made application to the State Board of Water Pollution Contro, and Approval No. 42558 was granted on July 22.

The Committee met frequently with the architect during development of the plans and specifications. The view of the Fire Department also were obtained in regard to the building design. It was decided to request a base bid on a steel building and on alternative bid on a concrete block building. Either of the two types of building would have a brick front wall. In addition to general bids from general contractors, we decided to request separate sub-bids on eight specialized items of the work.

The invitation for bids was advertised starting on June 12, in the Concord Monitor, the Valley News, and the Argus Champion. Plans and specifications were issued on return of the documents to the Selectmen's Office.

Sub-bids were received in the Town Hall and publicly opened on July 1. Following is a list of the lowest bids received for each item:

### Artesian Well

Contoocook Artesian Well Co.	\$6.00/ft. of well and \$5.00/ft. of casing
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### Site Work

L. M. Sullivan Co.	\$4,550.00 lump sum
plus fill outside building	2.75/cu. yd.
plus fill inside building	2.85/cu. yd.





*Views during construction of the Fire House.*



plus ledge excavation 11.00/cu. yd.  
(quantity of fill estimated by the Committee  
as about 2000-2500 cu. yd.)

Finish Carpentry

No bids

Interior Doors and Glass

No responsive bids

Finishes

Wm. A. LeFrancois & Son \$7,069.00

Plumbing and Heating

Luc D. Girard \$10,400.00  
(Streeter Plumbing & Heating offered to do the work  
for \$7.00/manhour, and cost of materials plus 15%)

Electrical

Hayward Refrigeration \$4,650.00

Septic and Subsurface Disposal System

L. M. Sullivan 3,950.00

Eight general bids were received in the Town Hall and publicly opened by the Selectmen on July 8. In accordance with the bidding documents, the lump sums that were bid excluded the artesian well and casing, and the gravel fill. Except as noted, all other items of work were included in each bid. Following is a tabulation of the four lowest bids:

Fedolfi Construction Corp.

\$80,927.00 (steel building)

Greenville Construction Co.

\$84,700.00 (concrete Block building)

North Branch Builders

\$62,393.00 (concrete block building)

(excludes also finish carpentry, finishes, and electrical work)

Zichelle Construction

\$80,039.53 (concrete block building)

As it was obvious that all bids exceeded the funds appropriated (total \$60,000.00), the Committee considered various courses of action and discussed the alternatives with the Selectmen. The following memorandum to the Selectmen, dated July 30, summarizes the various alternatives, as well as the plan that was proposed to the Selectmen and, with their approval, was put into effect:



Memorandum to: Selectmen  
From: Firehouse Building Committee  
Subject: Evaluation of Bids

The committee has reviewed the bids received for the firehouse, and finds that all the bids exceed the appropriated funds. As established in the bidding documents, the lump sum portions of all the bids excluded the well and the gravel fill. The lowest bid that excluded only those items was \$80,039.53, submitted by Zichelle Construction. North Branch Builders submitted a bid of \$62,393.00, but it excluded also the finish carpentry, finishes, and electrical work.

The committee recommends that all bids be rejected and we understand that on the basis of our earlier verbal recommendation this action has already been taken.

The Committee has considered several alternative courses of action. We have concluded there is nothing to be gained by postponing construction of the firehouse, with a strong likelihood of even higher costs in the future. We have considered a possible reduction in size of the building, and conclude it would be very unwise to construct a firehouse of dimensions too small to serve the current and future needs of the Fire Department. Accordingly, the Committee recommends that the existing plans and specifications be used as the basis for construction, and that we proceed toward that objective and go as far as the appropriated funds permit.

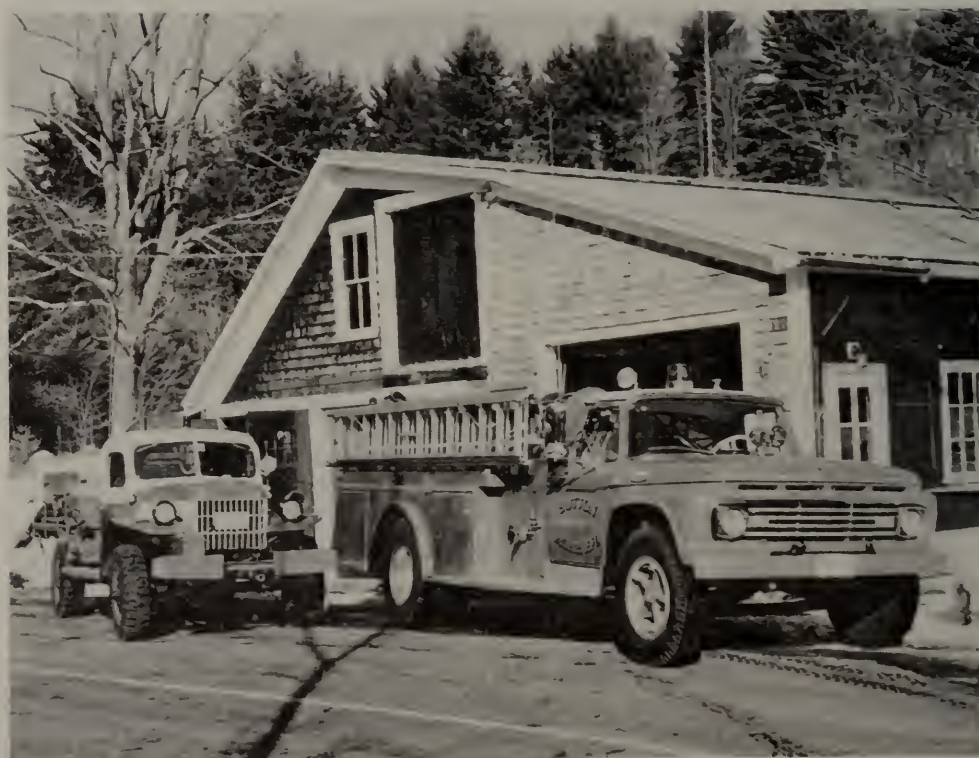
The Committee has discussed the work with three local firms and finds that considerable savings are possible. Chadwick and Whittemore have made a proposal to construct the basic building for \$45,694.00 omitting interior partitions and painting, and various other items. This offer represents a significant saving compared with the bid of North Branch Builders, probably about \$2,000, although the exact amount cannot be determined because of the differing scope of work included in the two offers.

Earl Rowe offers to perform the site work at a lump sum price of \$6,000. This represents a saving of about \$4,000 compared to the one sub-bid that was received.

Chadwick and Whittemore have received an estimate for plumbing and heating, and electrical work, from R. C. Streeter, in the amount of \$10,200, representing a saving of about \$4,800 compared with the sum of the lowest bids received for these two items of work.

Accordingly the Committee recommends that the work be carried out by local firms. We propose to contract Chadwick and Whittemore for the basic building, Earl Rowe for the site work, and R. C. Streeter for part of the plumbing, heating, and electrical work, within the limits of appropriated funds.







By proceeding as outlined above, the Committee expects that by the end of the current calendar year a useable, although incomplete, firehouse would be available to the Fire Department. The site work would be complete, and the external appearance of the firehouse would be that of a completed building. There would be no well or septic system, and therefore, the building would lack sanitary facilities, just as the present firehouse does. Inside, the building would appear unfinished, lacking partitions, paint, kitchen and bathroom fixtures, part of the wiring, and finishes for floors and walls. The building would have an unpainted sheetrock ceiling and the specified attic insulation.

At some future date, a supplemental appropriation will be needed to complete the firehouse. The committee is aware of other urgent competing needs for the scarce financial resources of the Town, and believes it will be feasible to utilize the firehouse in its incomplete condition for a limited period. The Committee agrees to recommend a supplemental appropriation to complete the firehouse in 1975 or 1976. The Fire Department also accepts this position and agrees not to request an appropriation to complete the firehouse in those years, barring exceptional and unforeseen circumstances.

If you agree with recommendations set forth herein, the Committee will proceed with construction of the firehouse in the manner stated.

Respectfully submitted,  
Weston A. Chadwick    Thaddeus C. Johnson    Earl A. Rowe  
John H. Hearne        Homer E. Rayno  
Agreed:

Carroll L. Thompson, Fire Chief

With the acceptance by the Selectmen of the recommended course of action, the Committee prepared a lump-sum contract with Chadwick and Whittemore for \$45,694.00, which was signed by the Selectmen on August 1. A verbal contract was established with Earl A. Rowe for site work, for the lump-sum amount of \$6,000. R. C. Streeter was authorized to perform certain parts of the plumbing, heating, and electrical work, with billing to be on the basis of labor at \$7.00 per man hour, and materials at cost plus 15%.

At the time of this writing, the site work is completed and fully paid, and the building as contracted with Chadwick and Whittemore is about 95% complete, lacking only minor concrete and stucco work, and completion of exterior painting, which will be finished with the advent of warm weather. A total of \$42,000.00 has been paid to the contractor, and the remainder will be paid in the spring when the work is finished. The rough plumbing is complete, the furnace is installed and functioning, and installation of lighting fixtures is ready to begin. R. C. Streeter has been paid \$3,765.24, and about \$1700 has been allocated for additional electrical work. Following is a summary of the use of the \$60,000.00 appropriated for the Firehouse account:

Total Funds Appropriated	\$60,000.00
Paid to Chadwick and Whittemore	42,000.00
Allocated for future payment to Chadwick & Whittemore	3,694.00
Paid to E. A. Rowe	6,027.00
Paid to R. C. Streeter	3,765.24
Allocated for future payment to R.C. Streeter	1,777.62
Other Payments charged to Firehouse Account	1,152.91
1973	<u>1,583.23</u>
1974	\$60,000.00

When the work by R. C. Streeter and by Chadwick and Whittemore is completed, the condition of the Firehouse will be approximately as foreseen in the above memorandum dated July 30. Several additional items of work have been completed, however, on the initiative of the Fire Department, using about \$1850 of their own funds raised mainly by their annual sale of rummage donated by people of the town. The additional work includes the partitions for the kitchen, meeting room and radio work room; closure of the attic storage area; and painting of the ceiling.

The main items of work that have been omitted and will await a future capital appropriation are the well, sewage disposal system, plumbing fixtures in bathrooms and kitchen, additional electrical and heating work, and interior painting. Nevertheless, the Firehouse will be usable in its unfinished condition, and both the Committee and the Fire Department have agreed that a supplemental appropriation for the remaining work will not be requested in 1975 or 1976.

In conclusion the Committee wishes to acknowledge with appreciation the excellent cooperation of the Selectmen and members of the Fire Department in helping to make possible the construction of the new Firehouse.

	Respectfully submitted,
Weston A. Chadwick	Thaddeus C. Johnson
Earl A. Rowe	John H. Hearne
Homer E. Rayno	

## REPORT TO TOWNS

All open burning when the ground is not covered with snow is controlled by the Town Forest Fire Warden in cooperation with the New Hampshire Forest Fire Service. Anyone wishing to kindle a fire out-of-doors when the ground is not covered with snow must have a written permit signed by the Town Forest Fire Warden. If the fire is to be kindled on land not owned by the person kindling the fire then he must have the permission of the landowner. No outdoor fires can be kindled between 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. unless it is raining, without the additional approval of the District Forest Fire Chief.

The 1974 forest fire season was one of the worst in the past two decades. Woodlands in central and southern New Hampshire became so dry in mid August that the Governor and Council, upon the recommendation of the State Forester, enacted a partial woodlands closure in Sullivan, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Merrimack and Belknap Counties and a complete woodlands closure in Strafford and Rockingham Counties plus the Towns of Barnstead, Gilmanton and Alton in Belknap County. Through the excellent cooperation of the citizens of our State no major forest fire occurred at any time during the year.

### 1974 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	871	915
District	52	26.5
Town	1	¼

Gerald Gross, Dist. Fire Chief

Carroll L. Thompson, Fire Warden



## IN DEFENSE OF SUTTON AND KEZAR LAKE

The character of the country town is a magical blend of many unrelated elements, be they snow-capped mountains, or endless expanses of softly contoured woodlands, the rustic charm of colonial homes, or of pasturelands dotted with grazing cows. Or it might be the quality of the air, of icy thirstquenching water from a spring deep in a mountainside, or sparkling brooks, and deep, clear lakes. A selection of any of these elements, blended artfully together, serves to make one particular town a most pleasant place to live. The lack of them could leave a town a wasteland.

People don't have to ski to enjoy a mountain, or fish to enjoy the sounds of a bubbling trout stream. They don't have to be swimmers or sailors to enjoy the beauty of a lake sparkling under the afternoon sun and a cloud bedecked sky.

These are resources to be enjoyed by all -- and to be defended by all -- when any one of them is threatened by an outside influence. We can never know for sure which of our natural resources might be threatened next by the onrush of civilization, only that we must face each challenge as it comes, and try to turn it away, or blunt its force.

If you look at a map of New Hampshire, you will see that although there are many lakes across the state, there aren't enough to go around so everybody can have one. Sutton is fortunate enough to have Kezar Lake which many of us have enjoyed from the public beach at Wadleigh State Park in summers past. Some of us sail upon it, fish in it, or skate on it. Some even own homes around it. It's an extremely valuable resource to the town, it adds value to each of our homes and adds an important dimension to many of our lives.

But as most of us know, Kezar Lake is suffering from a blight, a manmade blight called water pollution that our neighboring town of New London has seen fit to thrust upon us against our will.

Some of you may have heard the story of the two frogs. One frog was dropped into a pot of cold water to which heat was slowly applied. The other was dropped into a pot of boiling water. Needless to say, the one in the hot pot leaped out immediately. The one in the slowly warming pot stayed there, because he thought it was comfortable. He never realized he was really being cooked to well done.

For some years now, Kezar Lake has been slowly "cooking" -- subtly changing from a crystal clear gem to a pea green soup. The changes were all to subtle in the early years. Even those who noticed and mentioned the change weren't overly disturbed.

But now the pot is hot -- the water is so green and so odorous and so unpleasant in midsummer that many Sutton residents refuse to use their once lovely resource. Not only have they hopped out of the pot of complacency -- they're also hopping mad at New London for using their lake as a cesspool for too long.

There were several approaches to the problem. Do nothing and watch the lake slowly turn into a weed-choked, swampy cesspool, see the lakefront homes turn into slums that no one would want to live in, and see all of Sutton suffer as a result.

Actually, most of Sutton is already suffering quite a bit as a result of the pollution of Kezar Lake. We are all suffering in our tax bills, and maybe not for the reason you might think. Eight years ago, using the last tax evaluations by the (then) State Tax Commission, all of the homes surrounding Kezar Lake had their assessments dropped 30% because of the reduced market value of a home beside an algae-green lake that smelled bad because its shores were lined with dead weeds and fish. The 30% reduction in value means lost evaluation -- **lost taxes -- every year**, that has to be picked up by everyone else in the Town of Sutton. If Kezar Lake gets any worse, the "tab" that everyone else picks up could rise even more over the coming years, and **never stop**.

Fortunately, a small group of people in Sutton -- non-lake people as well as lakefront property owners -- started voicing their concerns to the Sutton town fathers. Something had to be done, and soon.

Several informal meetings were held, outside legal and consulting advice was sought. From this base, a series of recommendations were made to the Board of Selectmen.

Individual contributors had paid the expenses of the legal and environmental experts' opinions up to this point, but there was a limit to what continued private contributions could do. In view of the fact that their efforts were to protect a valuable resource of the entire town, perhaps Sutton should take over formally?

About this time, the private group learned that the Town of New London was negotiating with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for a long term sewage disposal permit, the terms of which were critical to an effort to clean up Kezar Lake. This negotiation was taking place without Sutton being advised to protect their rights. What should have been a three-way interchange of ideas, was really only an agreement between New London and the EPA without regard to Sutton's best interests.

The citizens group alerted the town that prompt official action was necessary to have a say in the terms of the permit. At this point, the Board of Selectmen petitioned the Superior Court for permission to hold a special Town Meeting for the purpose of appropriating money to retain legal counsel to represent the Town of Sutton's interests before the EPA hearing officers.

The Town Meeting was publicly announced and held June 17, 1974. The townspeople agreed overwhelmingly that Kezar Lake was worth fighting for, and \$5,000.00 was appropriated by the town to cover necessary legal expenses.

In July, 1974 the EPA came out with a draft permit defining their recommendations on the quality of the effluent coming out of the New London treatment plant, as well as a schedule for the creation of a new plant.

Because the terms of the permit were inadequate to protect Sutton's interest, Sutton's new legal counsel requested a formal public hearing. This hearing took place on November 23, 1974. EPA representatives made their required statements, representatives from New London and Sutton's attorney and other interested citizens made their presentations, and other witnesses were heard. EPA retired to Boston to consider the evidence and the comments, and to make their decision.

On January 16, 1975 the EPA issued the permit, giving Sutton ten days to disagree and respond, or to accept it. Many changes requested by Sutton had been made, including reater limitations on permissible effluent from the New London plant and improvements in its operating procedures, and other critical ones had not.

The most critical change that had not been made was in the "implementation" or compliance schedule -- that is, the dates within which New London is to be required to take various steps toward cleanup, and ultimately have a new sewage treatment system or facility altogether, not dumping into Kezar Lake. The existing schedule was predicated on Federal funding -- administrative time for processing grant applications, sometimes lengthy, was built into it. As such it contained the latent question of what would happen if grants were not received -- if Federal money were unavailable. In addition it extended the total schedule longer than Sutton's attorney believes Federal law permits.

Consequently Sutton has asked for an "adjudicatory hearing" and a "legal opinion" from EPA to determine these issues -- can New London legally have as much time to clean up as the schedule permits? And can the schedule be based upon Federal funding?



Beyond the immediate issues, Sutton is concerned to protect itself against future attempts by New London to get amendments or extensions to the existing schedule. If a cut-off date can be established that will not be subject to later change, and if it can be established that New London must get on with the cleanup even if nobody else will pay the bill, Sutton residents can rest assured that the end of the pollution of Kezar Lake is in sight.

One Sutton taxpayer has asked why Sutton needs to retain legal counsel in view of the fact that residents of Kezar Lake are bringing a suit of their own against New London. There are good reasons. Both legal actions are quite different. If Sutton had not retained an attorney, there is every possibility that there would never have been a public hearing and the EPA permit could have been a very unsatisfactory one on many counts.

Because Sutton had competent legal advice, and a competent environmental consultant, we were able to present a case that represented our interests within the framework of existing state and federal law. It is safe to say the permit would have been far different if Sutton had not hired its own environmental experts to represent the town's interests.

We can now look forward to 1977 when New London will be required by law to have a new sewage system operating that will upgrade Kezar Lake to a Class B lake -- suitable for recreational activities of swimming, boating, and fishing, and with year round water clarity.

The private legal action of property owners around Kezar Lake against New London stand on a different footing. These actions seek compensation for the damages these property owners have personally suffered as a result of New London's actions. Loss of property values, loss of recreational use of the property, having to live with odors, dead fish, and the like year after year, are only some of the damages they have suffered. New London's pollution of Kezar Lake has interfered with their private rights and they have a legal right to be compensated for this.

Moreover, should Sutton's legal actions with EPA, and N. H. Water Supply and Pollution miss the mark, the citizens' action is expected to apply the additional pressure to New London to force them out of the Kezar Lake watershed. For if the citizens' suit succeeds, New London will not only have to pay damages for all the previous years of polluting, they would also have to continue to pay those damages until the sewage plant is cleaned up.

If these additional continuing expenses (damages) are high enough, they could, by force of economic pressure, cause New London to comply even if the EPA action fell short of the mark.

Like the proverbial frog in that pot of water -- the lake residents felt if they could make the situation boil lustily enough, New London would hop out of Kezar Lake, and this particular problem will at long last be solved.

We fight to save Kezar Lake because it is a beautiful and natural resource that should be preserved, not polluted to death. If it dies, we all lose something. One more piece of nature never to be recalled. Many people from all over New England are fighting to save Franconia Notch from a wider Interstate highway. Others fought to save Seabrook from nuclear power, and Durham from an oil refinery. Those myriads of elements of charm that brought us all to New Hampshire in the first place, and keep us here today, are all worth fighting for. If we all don't share the work together to preserve them, then we will together, one day, share their loss.

**KEARSARGE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION**  
**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**December 31, 1974**

Since inception in July, 1970, the agency has seen a steady increase in the use of its services. We provide nursing care (which includes education, prevention, and rehabilitation), physical therapy and occupational therapy. No one is denied service due to financial difficulties. An individual can be referred to us by anyone and all information is confidential. In Community Health Nursing, family involvement is of utmost importance. The family needs support and guidance so they can continue care between our visits. Teaching is a vital component that is incorporated with whatever procedures are ordered by the physician.

In the past year we have increased the hours of our part-time nurse and now are considering employing another nurse. Physical therapy visits have doubled.

Statistics: Total visits 1071 (includes 59 not home); total mileage 13,350 miles. 320 visits for prevention, education, and guidance; 593 visits for nursing care (dressings, catheters, colostomies, medication supervision, diet supervision); 99 visits for physical therapy. 29 visits to your town.

Our agency recognizes the importance of staff education and has provided us with the opportunity to attend workshops to enhance our skills in the nursing profession.

Future plans:

1. Increase nursing staff.
2. Set up immunization clinics to other towns according to priority.
3. Contract with mental health center to provide follow-up care.
4. Contract for homemaker-health aid service.

We appreciate the continued town support and as in the past we have not requested any increase in your per capita assessment. The total town appropriations provide approximately 55% of our budget, while the agency brings in other monies through annual fund drive, insurances, welfare, and direct fees.

We thank you for your support through appropriation, contributions, donations of food, clothing and medical equipment. Only with community involvement can we continue to provide the highest quality health care to meet your needs.

Mrs. Lois Spearman, Director

Your town had a resident population June 30, 1974 of 706.

Your assessment based on \$1.25 per capita is \$882.50.

Your town representatives are Mrs. Gerald Flooence and Mrs. R. W. Prince.



## ANNUAL REPORT - 1974 - PLANNING BOARD

Another very active year kept the Planning Board members busy with number subdivision proposals presented for consideration.

The Planning Board, having voted unanimously, to start work on creating a Comprehensive Plan (Master Plan) designed to lay out future goals for the next twenty years, organized committees to participate in this endeavor.

In order to ascertain the desires and wishes of the citizens, a committee was formed to draft a questionnaire which was distributed to all adult townspeople in August. This group consisted of:

Col. and Mrs. Ralph C. Bing  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gaw  
Mrs. Barbara L. Gorton  
Mr. John H. Hearne  
Mrs. Virginia Johnson

Mr. William C. King  
Dr. M. Ray Marsh  
Mr. Roy Prince  
Mrs. Clarence E. Robinson

The response of this was extremely gratifying as more than 650 completed questionnaires were returned to the Planning Board, so that now the basic wishes of the community are known.

Here is a resume of the questionnaire results:

1. Sutton is an attractive place to live because of:  
uncrowded conditions  
peace and quiet  
good place to bring up children.
2. 92% of the answers said they wanted Sutton to be rural-residential with limited services (as at present.)
3. The rate at which Sutton's population should grow:  
49% remain the same  
25% increase about 15 persons per year  
18% increase about 30 persons per year
4. 58% thought the balance between permanent residents and summer residents should stay about as it is now (750 permanent and 1,200 summer).

5. The attitudes towards commercial enterprises was as follows:  
Apartment dwelling — 70% NO  
Small, home-based businesses — 82% YES  
Motels and Inns — 66% NO  
Retail Shops— 58% NO  
Restaurants — 55% NO  
Shopping Centers — 85% NO  
Light Industry — 49% YES  
43% NO  
Heavy Industry — 94% NO  
Business/Professional Offices — 57% YES
6. If we had commercial enterprises, 61% said they should be in areas zoned for commercial. (22% felt they should be concentrated around existing village centers.)
7. For the type of dwelling favored, the answer was an overwhelming 99% for single family dwellings.
8. As to where residential growth should occur, here are the results:  
Around existing village centers - 70% Yes; 25% No.  
In farming areas - 33% Yes; 63% No.  
Along State highways - 46% Yes; 49% No.  
In forest areas - 19% Yes; 74% No.  
Anywhere in Town - 26% Yes; 66% No.
9. 80% of the answers said multiple dwellings (i.e. two, three, or more family homes, or condominiums) should be restricted to limited area of town.
10. 68% said that if mobile homes were allowed they should be restricted to mobile home parks.
11. As far as restricting building to limited areas here is the general feeling:  
In wetlands — 82% Yes; 15% No.  
In flood plains - 82% Yes; 14% No.  
In stream belts - 80% Yes; 14% No.  
In ledgy areas - 62% Yes; 29% No..  
On steep slopes - 56% Yes; 36% No.  
Inaccessible roads - 62% Yes; 28% No.

12. Over 70% of the populace felt that the Town should designate areas for varied uses, such as: farming, woodland, residential, recreation, and business.
13. Over 78% felt that different land uses (farming, woodland, residential, recreation, business) should have different lot sizes requirements keyed to the type of land used.
14. a. 67% believe that density regulations (lot sizes, frontage, etc.) should be adopted to preserve the concept of the one home unit surrounded by its own land.  
b. 33% also believe that we should permit "clustering" of dwellings in a small area provided that enough **suitable** land, that meets building requirements, is joining owned by the group involved so that overall density for the whole area is similar to option "a" above.

All of the above results is most helpful as a guide for planning our future. Committees are at work now on implementing this Comprehensive Plan; and the many comments received from these questionnaires will be considered in these over-all sessions.

If, as a result of these studies, your Planning Board feels that Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances should be changed, it will propose such changes at the Town Meeting of March, 1976; unless a special Town Meeting were to be called for this purpose at another date.

Anyone who would like to help work on this Comprehensive Plan will be welcome; just contact a member of the Planning Board.



**TOWN MEETING, SUTTON, N. H.**  
**MARCH 6, 1974**

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Donald Lowe at 7:30 P.M.

Prayer was led by T. Norton Prescott.

The results of officers elected March 5, 1974 were announced by Moderator. The newly elected town officers were sworn in by Moderator Donald Lowe. Motion made and carried to dispense with reading the warrant. .

Motion was made, but was not seconded, to discuss and vote on Article 8.

Art. 1. Motion made and carried to raise necessary money to defray town charges for the coming year and appropriate money for the same. Amount being \$43,270. Motion made and carried to amend Article 1 to be increased by \$1,500. to cover the charges of the state auditors for auditing the tax books of 1973.

Art. 2. Motion made and carried affirmative to raise and appropriate \$70,000. for town maintenance. Motion made and carried for a more detailed report from the highway department.

Art. 3. An affirmative vote on raising \$1,427.14 for town road aid.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000. for the purchase of a shovel-loader for the highway department; \$5,500. to be raised by taxes in 1974; \$5,500. to be withdrawn from the Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Equipment, and \$9,000. to be raised by the issue of two notes; \$5,000. payable in 1975 and \$4,000. payable in 1976. This was voted affirmative unanimously.

Art. 5. Vote was in the affirmative to pass over Article 5.

Art. 6. Motion made and seconded to lay Article 6 on the table until next year. Vote was negative. Motion made and seconded to adopt Article 6. Motion made and carried to vote on Article 6 by raising of the hand. Vote was in the affirmative YES 75; NO 31.

At this time the Moderator read a letter from Governor Meldrim Thomson in regards to the oil refinery in the town of Durham. Voted unanimously to let the voters of Durham make their own decision.

Robert Bristol, assisted by George Wells, showed slides of some yesteryear photos.

- Art. 7. Was in the affirmative. Motion made and carried by the vote of the raising of the hand, YES 67; NO 50 to amend Article 7 by an additional sum of \$288.00.
- Art. 8a. Motion made and seconded that Article 8 be voted on by ballot. Vote was affirmative. YES 93; NO 45.
- Art. 8b. Motion made and seconded that we adopt Article 8b to be voted on by ballot. Vote was affirmative YES 104; NO 27.
- Art. 9 Was in the affirmative to raise and appropriate \$500. for C.A.P.
- Art. 10. Was in the affirmative to raise and appropriate the sum of \$405.00.
- Art. 11. Was in the affirmative to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00.
- Art. 12. Was voted in the affirmative to raise \$250.00 for a Capital Reserve Fund for the Fire Department.
- Art. 13. Was voted in the affirmative to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for a Capital Reserve Fund for a refuse disposal system including land and appurtenances thereto.
- Art. 14. Voted favorable to accept any monies received for the establishment of trust funds received during the year since the last annual meeting.
- Art. 15. Voted to distribute the interest from F. E. Nelson Fund as follows: First Baptist Church of Sutton \$100., Free Will Baptist Church \$100., South Sutton Community Church \$62.50.
- Art. 16. Vote was in the affirmative to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.  
Vote was in the affirmative to pass over Article 17.  
Motion voted in the affirmative to adjourn. Time 11:55 P.M.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

JUNE 17, 1974

Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock P.M. by Selectman Harold Smith, who then introduced and passed the gavel to the newly-appointed Assistant Moderator, Ellsworth Harding, to preside over said meeting. At this time, Ellsworth Harding was sworn into office by Robert S. Bristol.

The Decree from Superior Court was read by the Assistant Moderator and passed to the Town Clerk. The Warrant for a special town meeting to be held June 17, 1974, at 8 o'clock in the Pillsbury Memorial Hall was read by the Assistant Moderator. The affidavit for posting was also read and passed to the Town Clerk for records.

George Wells, a member of the Budget Committee, stated that the committee sanctioned the raising the amount as stated in the warrant, but not to exceed \$10,000. Motion made and seconded that the expression of the warrant be voted. Discussion on the same took place. Motion made and seconded that we amend the article in the warrant to read \$5,000. instead of \$10,000. The amendment was voted on and was voted unanimously in the affirmative.

It was voted in the affirmative by a unanimous vote to appropriate and raise by taxation the amount of \$5,000. for the purpose of retention of engineers and other experts required to provide technical, environmental, and legal service essential to meet and protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Sutton.

Motion made and seconded and voted in the affirmative to accept the resolution made by Thaddeus Johnson, which reads as follows: "I move that the sum of \$16,000. from the Revenue Sharing Fund, previously appropriated for the construction of a new Fire House, be transferred to the account "Town Maintenance", and that an identical amount raised by taxes and appropriated to the "Town Maintenance" account be transferred to the account for construction of a new Fire House."

Motion made and seconded and voted in the affirmative to adjourn. Time of adjournment 8:50 P.M.

George H. Hosmer, Sr.  
Town Clerk



# THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

## TOWN WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Sutton in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Pillsbury Memorial Hall in said Sutton the Fifth day of March next at 7:30 of the clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the coming year and make appropriations for the same:

### General Expenses of Government

Town Officers' Salaries	5,200.00
Town Officers' Expenses	7,000.00
Election & Registration	400.00
Town Hall	4,000.00
Social Security (FICA)	3,000.00

### Protection of Persons & Property

Police Department	8,000.00
Fire Department	3,500.00
Forest Fire	200.00
Planning & Zoning	400.00
Insurance	7,225.00

### Health & Sanitation

Health Department	150.00
New London Hospital	800.00
Kearsarge Visiting Nurse Association	900.00
Vital Statistics	20.00
Care of Dump	2,500.00

### Sutton Free Library

1,050.00

### Aid to Persons on Public Welfare

Town Poor	200.00
Old Age Assistance	800.00
Solliers' Aid	100.00

### Observance of Memorial Day

and other Celebrations	350.00
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### Commons & Recreation

200.00

## Interest

Temporary Loans	500.00
Long Term Notes	<u>2,880.00</u>
	49,375.00

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the repair of Highway and Bridges:

Town Maintenance	65,000.00
Street Lighting	2,100.00
General Expenses, Highway Department	<u>2,500.00</u>
	69,600.00

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$1,421.22 and the State to contribute \$9,474.79 for Town Road Aid.
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to aid in defraying the costs of emergency medical services as provided by the New London Ambulance Service.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to aid in defraying the costs of emergency medical services as provided by The Bradford Rescue Squad.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the purpose of retention of engineers, and other experts required to provide technical, environmental, and legal services essential to meet and protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Sutton.
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500.00 for solid waste disposal.
8. To see if the Town will vote to continue its membership to the planning commission, now organized and named the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$485.00 as the Town's share of the annual operating expenses of the regional planning commission to be used in conjunction with other state and federal funds available for planning purposes.
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for a Capital Reserve Fund for the Fire Department.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for a Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Equipment.

11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set-offs against budget appropriations in the amount indicated; and, further to authorize The Selectmen to make pro-rata reductions in the amounts, if estimated entitlements are reduced, or take any other action hereon:

Appropriation	Estimated Amount
Solid Waste Disposal	6,500.00
C.R.F. Highway Equipment	3,000.00
General Expenses Highway Department	<u>2,500.00</u>
	12,000.00

12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act for use as a set-off against the following debt service incurred for "priority expenditures" since January 1, 1972.

Purpose	Amount
1975 Loader Note (principal)	\$5,000.00

13. To see what action the Town may wish to take on the disposition of interest from the F. E. Nelson, Town of Sutton Trust Fund.
14. To see if the Town will vote to accept any of the monies received during the year since the last Annual Meeting for the establishment of Trust Funds.
15. To see if the Town will vote to accept the bequest as set forth in Article Fourth of the will of Bernard A. Howe who deceased March 9, 1974:

"FOURTH: I give and bequeath the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to the Town of Sutton to be used to establish a playground in Center Sutton on land purchased by the Town from George Salo, provided within thirteen months after my decease the town voters so vote to use this bequest. In lieu of such vote this bequest shall, at the expiration of said thirteen month period, become null and void."

16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.
17. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Resolution and Ordinance:



WHEREAS, the undersigned citizens (John H. Hearne and seventeen others) of the Town of Sutton deem it in the interest of public health, safety and general welfare of said Town to establish a comprehensive plan for the future development of said Town, and taking due consideration of the importance of future development.

WHEREAS, a comprehensive plan is being prepared for submission to the voters of the Town of Sutton.

WHEREAS, an interim Ordinance is necessary to facilitate the orderly preparation of a comprehensive plan.

NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned petitioners request the Selectmen of the Town of Sutton to include the following Article in the Warrant of the Town of Sutton for the Town Meeting to be held on the first Tuesday of March, 1975.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

For the purpose of promoting public health, safety, and general welfare; to conserve and protect property and property values; to secure the most appropriate use of land and to facilitate adequate but economical provisions for public improvements, all in accordance with a comprehensive plan, petitioners recommend the enactment of an ordinance as follows:

The Planning Board is authorized to approve applications for subdivision which would result in the creation of no more than three lots for each parcel of land situated in the Town, said approval to be subject to the general standards already employed pursuant to Ordinances, Regulations and Statutes in effect.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon passage, and remain in effect until such time as a comprehensive plan has been developed and approved, or until 1976 Annual Meeting of the Town of Sutton, unless reinacted at that meeting.

This Ordinance shall apply to all applications submitted to the Planning Board on or after its effective date.

18. To see if the Town will vote to grant site plan review authority to the Planning Board in accordance with RSA authority to the Planning Board in accordance with RSA 36:19a. This will provide the Town with an opportunity to review and approve or disapprove plans for non-residential development.

19. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, certain areas of Sutton are subject to periodic flooding from streams and rivers, causing serious damages to properties within these areas; and

WHEREAS, relief is available in the form of Federally subsidized flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Town Meeting to require the recognition and evaluation of flood hazards in all official actions relating to land use in the flood plain areas having special flood hazards; and

WHEREAS, this body has the legal authority to adopt land use and control measures to reduce future flood losses pursuant to N.H. RSA Chapter 31, 36, 156, 156A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Town Meeting hereby:

1. Assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it intends to enact and maintain in force for those areas having defined flood hazards, adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with the Criteria set forth in Section 1910 of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations; and
2. Vests the Planning Board with the responsibility, authority, and means to:
  - (a) Delineate or assist the Administrator, at his request, in delineating the limits of the areas having special flood hazards on available local maps of sufficient scale to identify the location of building sites.
  - (b) Provide such information as the Administrator may request concerning present uses and occupancy of the flood plain.
  - (c) Cooperate with Federal, State, and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map, and identify flood plain areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining flood plain in order to prevent aggravation of existing hazards.

- (d) Submit on the anniversary date of the community's initial eligibility an annual report to the Administrator on the progress made during the past year within the community in the development and implementation of flood plain management measures.
  3. Appoints the Building Inspector to maintain for public inspection and to furnish upon request a record of elevations (in relation to mean sea level) of the lowest floor (including basement) of all new or substantially improved structures located in the special flood hazard areas. If the lowest floor is below grade on one or more sides, the elevation of the floor immediately above must also be recorded.
  4. Intends to take such other official action within its powers as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the program.
20. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Resolutions:

Whereas, the Planning Board of Sutton has adopted and is enforcing  
SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY the Town Meeting of Sutton  
as follows:

1. The Town Meeting recommends that the Planning Board amend their regulations pertaining to the flood hazard area to assure that (i) all proposals are consistent with the need to minimize flood damage, (ii) all public utilities and facilities, such as sewer, gas, electrical, and water systems are located, elevated, and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage, and (iii) adequate drainage is provided so as to reduce exposure to flood hazards; and
  2. The Town Meeting recommends that the Planning Board amend their regulations pertaining to the flood hazard area to require new or replacement water supply systems and/or sanitary sewage systems to be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into flood waters, and require on-site waste disposal systems to be located so as to avoid impairment of them or contamination from them during flooding, pursuant to N.H. RSA 36:21.
21. To see if the town will vote to discontinue and make subject to gates and bars a portion of the highway known as "Harvey Road" described as follows: from the intersection of said road with the highway known as the "Hominy Pot Road" southerly to a point opposite the Northwest corner bound of land now of John Knox, as provided in RSA 238:2.



22. To see if the Town will vote to designate the following roads as scenic roads under the provisions of Chapter 253:17 and 18; namely "Wadleigh Hill Road" southerly from its junction with "Penacook Road" to its junction with "Corporation Hill Road"; and "Corporation Hill Road" from this point to its intersection with Main Street in Sutton Mills Village; for the purposes of protecting and enhancing the scenic beauty of Sutton, and, further, that the selectmen of said Sutton shall, regarding such roads designated as scenic, file the appropriate request for suspension of specifications when making application to the Commissioner of Public Works and Highways for Town Road Aid funds under RSA 241:7 (I).
23. To see if the town will vote to accept a road called "Ridge Road" and a portion of another road called "Meadowbrook Road" as shown on a subdivision plot; and is described as follows: Beginning at the Sutton/New London Town line where lots S-50 and S-52 are located; this road known as Ridge Road, traverses southerly along the above lots and continues along the frontage of lots S-51 until Ridge Road intersects with Meadowbrook Road. Meadowbrook Road traverses along lots S-59, S-60, S-58, S-57, S-56, S-55, S-54 and S-53 to a stone wall being the northernmost line of lots S-54 and S-53 and also being the Town line of Sutton and New London. The length of the road is approximately 2,400 feet.
24. To see if the town will vote to accept a road in the subdivision of John Clough, said road is shown on a subdivision plat recorded as Plan No. 2339, Merrimack County Registry of Deeds. The road in the subdivision runs northerly from Whiskey Pine Road approximately 915 feet.
25. To see if the town will vote to accept a road known as Bass Point Road from its intersection with the Camp Kemah Road westerly to the terminus of the said Bass Point Road near the residence of Stuart K. Jones.
26. To see if the Town will vote to accept a road from the Bass Point Road, so called, to the residence now of John Lovett.

Given under our hands and seal this fourteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-five

Howard M. Smith  
Harold D. Hurd  
Robert S. Bristol  
Selectmen of Sutton, N. H.

A true copy of warrant Attest:

Howard M. Smith  
Harold D. Hurd  
Robert S. Bristol  
Selectmen of Sutton, N. H.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Sutton in the County of Merrimack in said State, Qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Pills Memorial Hall in said Sutton the fourth day of March next, at twelve Noon, the polls to be open from twelve Noon and to be closed no earlier than 6:30 of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subject:

1. To choose all necessary officers.

Given under our hands and seal this fourteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-five.

Howard M. Smith  
Harold D. Hurd  
Robert S. Bristol  
Selectmen of Sutton, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant Attest:

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## BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1975

Note: Budget items listed below are in the same order as the corresponding articles in the Warrant.

	1974	1975
	Appropriations	Recommendations
Article 1.		
General Government		
Town Officers' Salaries	5,200.00	5,200.00
Town Officers' Expenses	8,500.00	7,000.00
Election & Registration	650.00	400.00
Town Hall	3,000.00	4,000.00
Social Security (FICA)	3,000.00	3,000.00
Protection of Persons & Property		
Police Department	5,000.00	8,000.00
Fire Department	3,400.00	3,500.00
Forest Fire	200.00	200.00
Planning & Zoning	400.00	400.00
Insurance	5,500.00	7,225.00
Health & Sanitation		
Health Department	150.00	150.00
New London Hospital	800.00	800.00
Kearsarge Visiting Nurse Assoc.	850.00	900.00
Vital Statistics	20.00	20.00
Care of Dump	2,500.00	2,500.00
Libraries		
Sutton Free Library	900.00	1,050.00
Aid to Persons on Public Welfare		
Town Poor	200.00	200.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	800.00
Soldiers' Aid	200.00	100.00
Patriotic Purposes		
Memorial Day & other Celebrations	350.00	350.00
Commons & Recreation	200.00	200.00
Interest		
Temporary Loans	1,000.00	500.00
Long Term Notes	705.00	2,880.00
Cemeteries	1,000.00	
Total Appropriation Article 1	\$44,725.00	\$49,375.00



Article 2		
Highway & Bridges		
Town Maintenance	65,000.00	65,000.00
Street Lighting	2,500.00	2,100.00
General Exp. Highway Dept.	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>
	70,000.00	69,600.00
Article 3		
Town Road Aid	1,427.14	1,421.22
Article 4		
New London Ambulance Service		300.00
Article 5		
Bradford Rescue Squad		300.00
Article 6		
E.P.A. Hearing	5,000.00	2,000.00
Article 7		
Solid Waste Disposal (C.R.F. 1974)	4,000.00	6,500.00
Article 8		
Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council	405.00	485.00
Article 9		
Fire Department C.R.F.	250.00	250.00
Article 10		
Highway Equipment, C.R.F.		3,000.00
1974 Warrant		
Shovel Loader	20,000.00	
Reappraisal	16,400.00	10,000.00
Reprint Town History	7,788.00	
Fire House	53,400.00	
C.R.F. Conservation Commission	1,000.00	
Community Action Program	500.00	
Payment of Debt (Principal)	<u>5,825.00</u>	<u>12,480.00</u>
Total Estimate	\$230,720.14	\$155,711.22
Less Estimated Receipts	130,773.17	78,032.94
Balance equals estimated amount to be raised by property taxes for Town purposes	\$99,946.97	\$77,678.28

**TAXES ASSESSED IN 1974**  
with comparative figures for 1973

	1974	1973
General Government		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$5,200.00	\$4,950.00
Town Officers' Expenses	8,500.00	6,260.00
Election & Registration	650.00	400.00
Town Hall	3,000.00	2,500.00
Social Security (FICA)	3,000.00	2,500.00
Protection of Person & Property		
Police Department	5,000.00	11,140.00
Fire Department	3,400.00	2,900.00
Forest Fire	200.00	200.00
Planning & Zoning	400.00	200.00
Insurance	5,500.00	4,200.00
Health & Sanitation		
Health Department, Vital Statistics	170.00	170.00
New London Hospital	800.00	800.00
Kearsarge Visiting Nurse Assoc.	850.00	850.00
Care of Dump	2,500.00	2,500.00
Library		
Sutton Free Library	900.00	3,300.00
Aid to Persons on Public Welfare		
Town Poor	200.00	200.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	2,500.00
Soldiers' Aid	200.00	100.00
Patriotic Purposes		
Memorial Day & other Celebrations	350.00	150.00
Commons & Recreation	200.00	300.00
Interest		
Temporary Loans	1,000.00	1,800.00
Long Term Notes	705.00	430.00
Cemeteries	1,000.00	
Highways & Bridges		
Town Maintenance	65,000.00	65,000.00
Town Road Aid	1,427.14	1,429.78
Street Lighting	2,500.00	1,900.00
General Expenses, Hghwy. Dept.	2,500.00	2,300.00
New Equipment, & Improvements		
Truck 4wd		5,500.00
Shovel-Loader	20,000.00	
Fire House	53,400.00	

Reimb. A/C Stock in Trade & Machinery	2,419.00	2,305.00
Reimbursement A/C State Lands	175.00	
Withdrawn from Capital Reserve Fund	5,500.00	
	<u>\$550,719.52</u>	<u>\$408,767.94</u>

Tax Rate 1974 with comparative figure for 1973

TAX RATE

Amount to be Raised	
Net Taxable Valuation	
1973 Rate \$30.30 =	<u>\$348,256.14</u>
	\$11,493,602.00
1974 Rate \$34.80 =	<u>\$419,105.97</u>
	\$12,043,275.00

	1974	1973
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00 of valuation	\$34.80	\$30.30
Number of Veterans Receiving Property Exemption	67	55
Elderly Exemptions	15	20

INVENTORY OF GROSS VALUATION, APRIL, 1974  
AND COMPARISON WITH APRIL 1, 1973

	1974	1973
Land	\$5,131,650.00	\$5,083,457.00
Buildings	6,656,775.00	6,188,475.00
House Trailers	21,400.00	18,900.00
Electric Plant	273,900.00	253,900.00
Boats & Launches	<u>9,050.00</u>	<u>14,870.00</u>
	\$12,092,775.00	\$11,559,602.00



Unclassified		
Regional Association	405.00	385.00
Reappraisal	16,400.00	
Reprint. Town History	7,788.00	
Community Action Program	500.00	
E.P.A. Hearing	5,000.00	
Revenue Sharing		17,543.00
Capital Reserve Funds		
Fire Department	250.00	
Conservation Commission	1,000.00	
Solid Waste Disposal	4,000.00	
Highway Equipment		5,500.00
Indebted Payments		
Long Term Notes	5,825.00	6,500.00
Appropriations	\$230,720.14	\$154,407.78
County Tax	28,041.53	27,228.31
School Tax	283,124.81	220,288.53
Total Appropriations	\$541,886.48	\$401,944.62
Plus Overlay	4,383.04	4,073.32
Plus War Service Credits	4,450.00	2,750.00
	<u>\$550,719.52</u>	<u>\$408,767.94</u>

**SOURCES OF REVENUE 1974**  
with comparative figures for 1973

	1974	1973
Property Tax (Gross Assessed)	\$419,105.97	\$348,256.14
Interest & Dividends Tax	8,048.86	5,796.00
Savings Bank Tax	892.00	
Meal & Room Tax	3,500.00	3,336.00
Yield Tax Sources	3,808.52	665.85
Interest on Taxes		700.00
Business Licenses, Permits &		
Filing Fees	205.00	300.00
Dog Licenses	250.00	172.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	9,500.00	7,147.95
Rent of Town Property	100.00	
Income from Trust Funds	1,500.00	
Income, Departments	1,200.00	
Resident Taxes	4,900.00	4,310.00
Sale Tax Deeded Property		100.00
Revenue Sharing	16,000.00	17,543.00
Proceeds of Long Term Notes	56,400.00	
Highway Subsidy	17,215.17	17,309.00

**SOURCES OF REVENUE 1974**  
**With Comparative Figures for 1973**

The money needed to provide the above listed appropriations made by the Town School District and County was provided estimated revenue from the following sources, the balance being raised by taxes. The Tax Rate was computed from this information.

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Yield Tax Sources	3,808.52	665.85
Interest on Taxes		700.00
Bus. Lic., Permits &		
Filing Fees	205.00	300.00
Dog Licenses	250.00	172.00
Motor Veh. Permit Fees	9,500.00	7,147.95
Rent of Town Prop.	100.00	
Income from Trust Funds	1,500.00	
Income, Departs.	1,200.00	
Resident Taxes	4,900.00	4,310.00
Sale Tax Deeded Prop.		100.00
Revenue Sharing	16,000.00	17,543.00
Proceeds of Long Term		
Notes	56,400.00	
Highway Subsidy	17,215.17	17,309.00
Reimb. A/C Stock in Trade		
& Machinery	2,419.00	2,305.00
Reimb. A/C State		
Lands	175.00	
Withdrawn from Capital		
Reserve Fund	<u>5,500.00</u>	<u>          </u>
	\$550,710.52	\$408,767.94

Tax Rate 1974 with comparative figure for 1973:

TAX RATE =

Amount to be Raised

Net Taxable Valuation

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\$11,493,602.00

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Boats & Launches	9,050.00	14,870.00
	<u>\$12,092,775.00</u>	<u>\$11,559,602.00</u>



**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES**  
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1974

Name of Appropriation	Appropriation	Receipts	Total Amt. Available	Expended	Balance	Overdraft
<b>A. Current Maintenance Expenses</b>						
<b>I General Government</b>						
1. Town Officers' Salaries	5,200.00	204.00	5,200.00	4,995.03	204.97	
2. Town Officers' Expenses	8,500.00	15.00	8,704.00	11,183.40		2,479.40
3. Election & Registration	650.00		665.00	587.25	77.75	
4. Town Hall	3,000.00	192.00	2,192.00	2,129.82	1,062.18	
5. Reappraisal of Property	6,400.00		6,400.00	10,372.15		3,972.15
<b>II PROTECTION OF PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b>						
6. Police Department	5,000.00	9,373.05	14,373.05	12,090.35	2,282.70	
7. Fire Department	3,400.00		3,400.00	3,066.25	333.75	
8. Forest Fire	200.00	112.83	312.83	225.65	87.18	
9. Planning & Zoning	400.00	505.54	905.54	587.44	318.10	
10. E.P.A. Hearing	5,000.00		5,000.00	2,060.70	2,939.30	
11. Insurance	5,500.00	262.35	5,762.35	5,015.14	747.21	
12. Building Inspector		744.78	744.78	387.38	357.40	
<b>III HEALTH</b>						
13. Health Department	150.00		150.00	107.95	42.05	
14. New London Hospital	800.00		800.00	800.00		
15. Kearsarge Visiting Nurse Assoc.	850.00		850.00	843.75	6.25	
16. Vital Statistics	20.00		20.00	3.00	17.00	
17. Town Dump	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,033.35	466.65	
<b>IV HIGHWAYS &amp; BRIDGES</b>						
18. Town Road Aid	1,427.14		1,427.14	1,427.14		
19. Town Maintenance	65,000.00	7,421.84	72,421.84	72,838.26		416.42
20. Street Lighting	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,958.10	541.90	

21. General Expenses High. Department	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,104.49	395.51	
22. "Duncan" Class V Highway Funds		12,332.04	12,332.04	8,788.10	3,543.94	
V LIBRARIES						21.03
23. Sutton "Free" Library	900.00	4,302.73	5,202.73	5,223.76		
VI PUBLIC WELFARE						
24. Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	499.59	1,499.59	495.29	1,004.30	
25. Town Poor	200.00		200.00	259.00		59.00
26. Soldiers' Aid	100.00		100.00	48.00	52.00	
VII PATRIOTIC PURPOSES						
27. Memorial Day, Old Home Day	350.00		350.00	271.00	79.00	
28. Recreation & Commons	200.00		200.00		200.00	
VIII PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES						
29. Community "Action" Program	500.00		500.00	500.00		1.29
30. Cemeteries	1,000.00	1,892.97	2,892.97	2,894.26		
31. Old Store Museum		1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00		
IX UNCLASSIFIED						
32. Upper Valley Dartmouth Region	405.00		405.00	405.00		
33. Social Security	3,000.00	3,096.50	6,096.50	5,761.65	334.85	
X DEBT SERVICE						
34. Pd. on Tax Anticipation Notes	1,000.00	2,756.65	3,756.65	2,857.15	899.50	
35. Pd. on Long Term Notes	750.00		750.00	273.28	476.72	
XI PAYMENT PRINCIPLE OF DEBT						
36. Long Term Notes	5,825.00		5,825.00	5,825.00		

## XII CAPITAL OUTLAY

37. Town History Reprint	7,788.00	45.00	7,788.00	1,132.10	6,655.90	
38. Solid Waste Disposal			45.00	45.00		
39. New Fire House	16,000.00	44,223.09	60,223.09	47,610.23	12,612.86	
40. Truck 4wd Highway Dept.	5,500.00	6,405.91	11,905.91	12,350.00		444.09
41. Loader	5,500.00	14,500.00	20,000.00	19,725.00	275.00	
42. Payments to Capital Reserve Funds	5,250.00		5,250.00	5,250.00		
	<u>\$174,265.14</u>	<u>\$110,285.87</u>	<u>\$284,551.01</u>	<u>\$255,930.42</u>	<u>\$36,013.97</u>	<u>\$7,393.38</u>
Total Amount Available	284,551.01			Unexpended Balances	36,013.97	
Less Expenditures	<u>255,930.42</u>			Overdraft	<u>7,393.38</u>	
	28,620.59				28,620.59	



**REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER  
TOWN OF SUTTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1974**

Cash Balance, January 1, 1974	\$33,675.48
Less bad check	<u>53.02</u>
	\$33,622.46

**CURRENT REVENUE:**

**Local Taxes:**

Property Taxes - 1974	278,696.31	
Resident Taxes - 1974	3,070.00	
Yield Taxes - 1974	4,764.72	
Property Taxes - Prev. Yrs.	96,481.32	
Yield Taxes - Prev. Yrs.	387.56	
Resident Taxes - Prev. Yrs.	1,250.00	
Resident Tax Penalties	121.00	
Int. received on Taxes	2,756.65	
Tax Sales Redeemed	<u>14,342.57</u>	
		\$401,870.43

**State of New Hampshire:**

Class V Highway Maintenance	7,729.65	
Highway Subsidy	17,215.17	
Interest and Dividends Tax	8,048.86	
Savings Bank Tax	892.09	
Fighting Forest Fires	112.83	
Reim. A/C Old Age Assist.	499.59	
Meals & Rooms Tax	4,054.25	
Reim. A/C Bus. Profits Tax	<u>2,420.80</u>	
		\$40,973.24

**Current Revenue Local Sources Other than Taxes:**

Dog Licenses and Penalties	321.00	
Bus. Lic., Permits and Filing Fees	420.54	
Rent of Town property	192.00	
Income from Trust Funds	7,858.20	
Income from Departments:		
Highway Dept.	7,421.84	
Police Dept.	500.50	
Planning Board	232.00	
Fire Dept.	226.00	
Board of Adjustment	225.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	<u>11,925.13</u>	
		<u>29,322.21</u>

**TOTAL CURRENT REVENUE  
RECEIPTS**

\$472,165.58

RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:

Temporary Loans - In Anticipation of Taxes	\$135,000.00	
Long Term Notes	46,400.00	
Insurance Adjustment	262.35	
Refunds	428.86	
Gifts	18.23	
New Trust Funds	1,715.00	
Yield Tax Security Deposits	412.00	
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve Fund	10,055.91	
Withdrawal from Revenue Sharing Account	24,492.09	
Grants from U.S.A.: (a) Revenue Sharing	16,545.00	
(b) Law Enforcement Assist. Act. (Governor's Comm. on Crime & Delinquency)	<u>2,447.00</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE		<u>\$237,776.44</u>
Total Receipts and Cash Bal.		743,564.48
Less Cash Disbursements		<u>707,573.10</u>
Cash Balance		35,991.38
Revenue Sharing Savings Account		<u>13,664.11</u>
TOTAL BALANCE, Dec. 31, 1974		\$49,655.49

Irene C. Davis,  
Treasurer

**REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT, TOWN OF SUTTON, N.H.**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1974**  
**REVENUE SHARING FUND**  
**Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, Encumbrances,**  
**and Fund Balance:**

Available Funds, Jan. 1, 1974		\$20,473.90
<b>Add Revenue</b>		
Entitlement Payments	\$16,545.00	
Interest	<u>1,137.30</u>	
		<u>\$17,682.30</u>
Total Available Funds		\$38,156.20
<b>LESS EXPENDITURES:</b>		
<b>Operating/Maintenance Expenses:</b>		
Public Transportation	16,000.00	
(Town Maintenance, Special Meeting, 1974)		
<b>Capital Expenditures:</b>		
Transportation		
(4wd truck, Art. 5, 1973)	1,850.00	
Environmental Conservation		
(Solid Waste Disposal,		
No. 10, 1973)	45.00	
Public Safety		
(Fire House sites, No. 9,		
1973)	<u>6,597.09</u>	
Total Expenditures:		<u>\$24,492.09</u>
Available Cash - December 31, 1974		\$13,664.11
Less: Encumbrances (Approp. authorized)		
Dec. 31, 1974		
<b>Operating/Maintenance Expenses:</b>		
Environmental Protection		
(Legal fees, Art. 8, 1973)	<u>5,052.94</u>	
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>		
Transportation		
(Sander Body, Art. No. 7		
1973)	100.00	
Environmental Conservation		
(Solid Waste Disposal, Art. No. 10		
1973)	<u>7,705.00</u>	
Total Encumbrances		<u>12,857.94</u>
Available Unobligated Funds		
Dec. 31, 1974		\$806.17



We have examined the accounts and records of the Revenue Sharing Fund of the Town of Sutton, N.H. for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974.

In our opinion, the above Statement of Revenue, Appropriations, Encumbrances and Available Unobligated Funds presents fairly the revenue, expenditures and encumbrances incurred, and status of Revenue Sharing Funds of the Town of Sutton, N.H. for the year ended December 31, 1974.

Date: January 24, 1975

Signed:  
John J. Wooten  
Estelle W. Rooney  
Auditors, Town of  
Sutton, N.H.

## **REPORT OF TOWN AUDITORS**

**Town of Sutton, New Hampshire**

**For the year Ending December 31, 1974**

We, the Auditors of the Town of Sutton, have examined the books of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Library Trustees, and the Trustees of the Trust Funds for the Year Ending December 31, 1974, compared their figures and vouchers, and find the same correct.

Estelle Rooney  
John J. Wooten  
Auditors, Town of Sutton

**REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR**  
**Summary of Property, Resident, and Yield Taxes**

	1974	1973	1972
Property Taxes	\$414,408.59	\$48,737.19	\$1,002.94
Resident Taxes	4,900.00	1,440.00	450.00
Yield Taxes	4,759.82		619.54
Added Property Taxes	1,320.66		
Added Resident Taxes	270.00	100.00	
Overpayment, Prop.	54.64	50.50	
Overpayment, Resident	44.00		
Interest, Property	2.57	2,318.57	45.19
Penalties, Resident	15.00	85.00	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$425,775.28</b>	<b>\$52,731.26</b>	<b>\$2,117.67</b>
<b>Paid to Treasurer:</b>			
Property Taxes	\$278,704.31	\$47,037.47	\$437.87
Resident Taxes	3,070.00	900.00	
Yield Taxes	4,759.82		
Interest, Property	2.57	2,318.57	45.19
Penalties, Resident	15.00	85.00	
<b>Abatements:</b>			
Property Taxes	5,259.29	287.45	
Resident Taxes	540.00	400.00	90.00
<b>Uncollected 12/31/74</b>			
Yield			619.54
Property Taxes	131,863.89	1,462.77	565.00
Resident Taxes	1,560.00	240.00	360.00
Unremitted Cash	0.40		0.07
	<b>\$425,775.28</b>	<b>\$52,731.26</b>	<b>\$2,117.67</b>

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 11974**

	1973	1972	1971	Previous
Balance, Unredeemed Taxes of Jan. 1, 1974		\$11,248.43	\$9,270.72	\$2,014.21
Taxes sold to Town during current Fiscal Yr.	13,803.04			
Interest Collected after sale	13.92	182.92	1,655.88	131.38
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>\$13,816.96</b>	<b>\$11,431.35</b>	<b>\$10,926.60</b>	<b>\$2,145.59</b>

<b>Remittances to Treasurer</b>				
Redemptions	1,400.86	2,251.03	7,799.83	313.20
Interest & Costs after Sale	13.92	182.92	1,655.88	131.38
Unredeemed Taxes, Dec. 31, 1974	12,402.18	8,997.40	1,470.89	1,701.01
Total Credits	\$13,816.96	\$11,431.35	\$10,926.60	\$2,145.59

### SUMMARY OF TIMBER TAXES

	1974	1973	Prev. Years
Warrant, Timber Tax	4,759.82		
Uncollected Timber Taxes			2,405.42
Interest Collected			5.02
Total	4,759.82		2,410.44
Paid to Treasurer	4,759.82		33.44
Interest Paid			5.02
Uncollected Taxes			2,371.98
Total	4,759.82		2,410.44

### REPORT OF TOWN CLERK March 6, 1974 to January 1, 1975

#### Tax for Registration of Motor Vehicles

639 permits issued for 1974	\$8,940.68	
1 permit issued for 1975	10.48	8,951.16
Dog Licenses		
98 Registered	\$223.00	
9 females		
89 males		
3 kennel permits	36.00	
44 penalties	44.00	303.00
Payment to Treasurer		\$9,244.16



# BALANCE SHEET

## ASSETS

Cash:		
General Fund	\$35,664.11	
Revenue Sharing Fund	<u>13,991.38</u>	
		\$49,655.49
Long Term Notes		
Unissued	10,000.00	
		10,000.00
Capitol Reserve Funds		
Bridges	2,044.71	
Conservation Comm.	1,000.00	
Fire Equipment	2,683.59	
Land & Buildings	107.57	
Solid Waste	4,000.00	
War Memorial	<u>2,024.46</u>	
		11,860.33
Unredeemed Taxes		
Levy 1973	12,402.18	
Levy 1972	8,997.40	
Previous years	<u>3,171.90</u>	
		24,571.48
Uncollected Taxes		
Levy 1974	133,423.89	
Levy 1973	1,702.77	
Levy 1972	<u>1,544.54</u>	
		<u>136,671.20</u>
Grand Total Assets		<u>\$232,758.50</u>

## LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town		
Unexpended Bal., Spec. Approp.		
Algae Control	5,000.00	
Building Inspector	357.40	
E.P.A. Hearing	2,939.30	
Fire House	12,637.86	
Town History, reprint	6,367.90	
	<u>                    </u>	27,302.46
Revenue Sharing Funds		
Unencumbered Bal.	806.17	
Encumbered Bal.	12,857.94	
	<u>                    </u>	13,664.11
Due State of N.H.		
2% Bond & Debt Retirement Tax	1,194.20	
	<u>                    </u>	1,194.20
Yield Tax Deposits		
Escrow Account	562.00	
	<u>                    </u>	562.00
School District		
Balance 1974 - 75 tax	141,124.81	
		<u>141,124.81</u>
TOTAL ACCOUNTS OWED BY THE TOWN		\$183,847.58
Highway Construction Accounts		
Unexpended bal. - Duncan	3,543.94	
	<u>                    </u>	3,543.94
Capital Reserve Funds		
Offset similar Asset Acc't	11,860.33	
		<u>11,860.33</u>
Grand Total Liabilities		199,251.85
Current Surplus (Excess Assets over Liabilities)		<u>33,506.65</u>
GRAND TOTAL (Equal Total Assets)		\$232,758.50
Current Surplus, Dec. 31, 1973		29,171.04
Current Surplus, Dec. 31, 1974		<u>35,259.09</u>
Increase of Surplus		6,088.05

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

### Current Maintenance Expenses:

#### General Government

1. Town Officers' Salaries	\$4,995.03
2. Town Officers' Expenses	11,183.40
3. Election & Registration	587.25
4. Town Hall	2,129.82
5. Re-appraisal of Property	10,372.15

#### Protection of Persons & Property

6. Police Department	12,090.35
7. Fire Department	3,066.25
8. Forest Fire	225.65
9. Planning & Zoning	587.44
10. E.P.A. Hearing	2,060.70
11. Insurance	4,997.14
12. Building Inspector	387.38

#### Health

13. Health Department	107.95
14. New London Hospital	800.00
15. Kearsarge Visiting Nurse Association	843.75
16. Vital Statistics	3.00
17. Town Dump	2,033.35

#### Highways & Bridges

18. Duncan	8,788.10
19. Town Road Aid	1,427.14
20. Town Maintenance	72,838.26
21. Street Lighting	1,958.10
22. General Expense, Highway Dept.	2,104.49

#### Libraries

#### Libraries

23. Sutton Free Library	5,223.76
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#### Public Welfare

24. Old Age Assistance	495.29
25. Town Poor	259.00
26. Soldiers' Aid	48.00

#### Patriotic Purposes

27. Memorial Day & Other Celebrations	271.00
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#### Public Service Enterprises

28. Community Action Program	500.00
29. Cemeteries	2,894.26
30. Old Store Museum	1,400.00



Unclassified

31. Damages & Legal Expenses	246.44
32. Advertising & Regional Associations	405.00
33. Taxes, bought by Town	13,803.04
34. Discount, Abatements & Refunds	3,552.84
35. Social Security	5,761.65
36. New Trust Funds	1,715.00
37. Payments A/c Trusts	262.50

TOTAL CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	180,424.48
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DEBT SERVICE

Interest and Debt

38. (Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes	\$ 2,857.15
(Paid on Long Term Notes	273.28

Total Interest Payments	3,130.43
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Principal of Debt

39. Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	135,000.00
40. Payments on Long Term Notes	5,825.00

Total Principal Payments	140,825.00
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Capital Outlay

41. Town History Reprint	1,132.10
42. Solid Waste Disposal	45.00
43. Fire House	747,610.23
44. New Equipment Hiway	32,075.00
45. Payments to Capital Reserve Funds	5,250.00
46. Payments to Savings Revenue Sharing	16,545.00

Total Outlay Payments	\$102,657.33
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Payments to other Governmental Divisions

47. (Payments to State A/c 2% tax	245.80
(Taxes Paid to County	28,041.53
48. Payments to School District	252,248.53

Total Payments to other Governmental Divisions	<u>\$280,535.86</u>
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Total Payments for All Purposes	\$707,573.10
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## DETAIL STATEMENT

### 1. Town Officers' Salaries

Appropriation		\$5,200.00
Payments		
Robert S. Bristol	800.00	
Evangeline A. Chadwick	120.00	
Irene C. Davis	282.45	
George H. Hosmer	1,476.28	
Harold D. Hurd	800.00	
Estelle Rooney	335.00	
Howard M. Smith	800.00	
Carolle Whitcomb	271.30	
John J. Wooten	110.00	
		<u>\$4,995.03</u>
BALANCE		204.97

### 2. Town Officers' Expenses

Appropriation	8,500.00
Receipts	<u>204.00</u>
	\$8,704.00

#### Payments:

Argus Champion Co. Inc.	26.35
Robert S. Bristol	59.79
Robert S. Bristol, Assoc.	1,060.94
Brown & Saltmarsh	203.09
Evangeline A. Chadwick	200.00
Stanley C. Chapman	58.50
Concord National Bank	336.69
Irene C. Davis	85.90
Division Municipal Accounting	3,726.01
R.L. Dodge	2.39
Ellsworth Harding	32.75
Homestead Press & Book	20.01
George H. Hosmer	453.17
Harold D. Hurd	110.00
Hurd's Offset	1,239.00
Kearsarge Insurance Co.	156.00
W.A. Mahoney Co.	118.70
Merrimack County - deeds	102.10
Merrimack County - probate	2.50
Monitor Publishing Co.	3.38

Postmaster	151.75	
N.H. Assessing Officials	94.00	
N.H. Boat Tax Form	6.40	
N.H. City & Town Clerks Assoc.	8.00	
N.H. Conservation Commissions	40.00	
N.H. Municipal Assoc.	115.00	
N.H. Tax Collectors Assoc.	10.00	
Wilhelmina Prescott	91.44	
Estelle Rooney	16.64	
Howard M. Smith	157.40	
Mary E. Smith - Sec'y	2,396.75	
Mary E. Smith - Supplies	3.50	
Smith's Offset in the Hills	60.53	
Sutton General Store	2.92	
Carolle Whitcomb	31.80	
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		\$11,183.40
OVERDRAFT		2,479.40
<b>3. Election and Registration</b>		
Appropriation		\$650.00
Receipts		
Filing Fees		<hr/> 15.00
		\$665.00
Payments:		
Argus Champion	68.75	
Walter Couch	50.10	
Thelma Curtis	24.00	
Helen I. Davis	16.50	
Irene C. Davis	50.10	
Alfred N. Fauver, Jr.	24.00	
Ellsworth Harding	15.00	
Rose Hanamoto	9.00	
Gertrude Holteen	50.10	
Donald H. Lowe	83.60	
Wilhelmina Prescott	33.60	
The Country Press	142.50	
Carolle Whitcomb	20.00	
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		\$587.25
BALANCE		\$77.75



#### 4. Town Hall

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Receipts	
Rentals	192.00
	<u>\$3,192.00</u>

#### Payments:

Patricia Call	20.00	
Mary Csutor-Custodian	450.00	
Mary Csutor-Supplies	58.88	
R.L. Dodge	25.02	
George Dukette	175.00	
Hugh Ferguson	48.00	
Merrimack County Tel. Co.	254.07	
Public Service Co. of N.H.	516.94	
Sutton General Store	4.63	
Vernondale Store	12.58	
Warner Fuel Co.	<u>564.70</u>	
		2,129.82
Balance		\$1,062.18

#### 5. Re-appraisal of Property

Appropriation	\$16,400.00
Payments:	
State of N.H.	9,582.15
Linda Gardner	<u>790.00</u>
	\$10,372.15
BALANCE	\$6,027.85

#### 6. Police Department

Appropriation	5,000.00
Receipts:	
Balance previous years	6,322.55
Crime & Delinquency Grant	2,447.00
Department Services	500.50
Pistol Permits	24.00
Junque Licenses	75.00
Permits, high explosives	<u>4.00</u>
	\$9,373.05
	\$14,373.05

Payments:

Argus Champion	15.50	
A.A. Auto Parts	56.88	
Bank Chevrolet	49.98	
Concord National Bank	686.50	
Contoocook Garage	9.50	
Eugene Crowdle	3,659.62	
Joan Crowdle	1,444.66	
Ronald Dalrymple	221.19	
General Electric	2,414.00	
Henry's Tire	88.50	
Mack's Mens Shop	289.73	
Merrimack Telephone Co.	443.05	
Michael Pugliese	1,352.11	
Newport Business Equipment	9.33	
Postage	56.45	
Ralph's Texaco	3.40	
Richard W. Rodgers	35.00	
Sanel Auto Parts	6.64	
Richard Sherburne	641.24	
Smith's Offset in the Hills	15.45	
State of N.H.	2.84	
Myron Traynor	111.58	
Village Press Inc.	26.05	
Warner Servicenter	6.75	
Wright Communication	444.40	
		<u>12,090.35</u>
BALANCE		\$2,282.70

**7. Fire Department**

Appropriation \$3,400.00

Payments

Bob's Antenna Service	125.00
Boston Coupling Co.	320.75
Darrell's Service	52.25
Evans Radio Inc.	201.45
Fire Chief Magazine	7.50
Henry's Tire	17.31
Carl F. Knirsch	16.46
Main Street Texaco	85.10
Maynard Fire Apparatus	23.63

Merrill's Landscaping	50.00	
Merriam-Graves	5.00	
Merrimack County Telephone	847.22	
O'Connor Safety Equipment	139.25	
Oxygen & Welding Supply	18.90	
Darrell Palmer	25.00	
Public Service Company of N.H.	101.07	
Prew's Radio & Television	10.35	
Radio Service Lab.	21.10	
Streeter Plumbing & Heating	50.00	
Carroll Thompson	125.00	
Vernondale Store	278.54	
Warner Fuel Company	295.37	
Whitehall Chemical Co.	<u>250.00</u>	<u>3,066.25</u>
BALANCE		\$333.75

#### 8. Forest Fire

Appropriation		200.00
Receipts		<u>112.83</u>
Payments:		\$312.83
Members of the Fire Dept.	225.65	<u>225.65</u>
BALANCE		\$87.18

#### 9. Board of Adjustment - Planning & Zoning

Appropriation		\$400.00
Receipts		
Board of Adjustment (fees)	225.00	
Planning Board (fees)	232.00	
Sale of Ordinances	<u>48.54</u>	<u>505.54</u>
		\$905.54
Payments:		
Argus-Champion	201.56	
Robert S. Bristol Assoc.	3.80	
Elkins Press	16.48	
Barbara L. Gorton	122.96	
Ellsworth Harding	9.00	
John Hearne	78.09	
John Herrington	64.09	
Suzanne McNamara	28.45	
Smith's Offset in the Hills	54.75	
Society of N.H. Forests	2.50	
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Council	<u>5.76</u>	<u>587.44</u>
BALANCE		\$318.10

## 10. Environmental Protection Agency Hearing

Appropriation		\$5,000.00
Special Town Meeting		
June 17, 1974		
Payments		
Orr & Reno		<u>2,060.70</u>
BALANCE		\$2,939.30

## 11. Insurance 1974

Appropriation		5,500.00
Receipts, Refunds &		
Abatement	262.35	<u>262.35</u>
		\$5,762.35
Payments		
Concord General Mutual	1,178.40	
Concord Group Insurance	813.94	
Davis Towle Agency	235.20	
Kearsarge Insurance Agency	2,444.60	
Kearsarge Insurance Agency		
Bonds	<u>343.00</u>	<u>5,015.14</u>
BALANCE		\$747.21

## 12. Building Inspector

Balance previous years		490.78
Receipts - 1974		<u>254.00</u>
		\$744.78
Payments		
Herman Wunderlich		<u>387.38</u>
BALANCE		\$357.40

## 13. Health Department

Appropriation		150.00
Payment		
James C.M. Tillinghast		<u>107.95</u>
BALANCE		\$42.05



#### 14. New London Hospital

Appropriation	\$800.00
Payment	
New London Hospital	<u>800.00</u>
BALANCE	00.00

#### 15. Visiting Nurse Association

Appropriation	850.00
Payments	
Kearsarge Visiting Nurse	<u>843.75</u>
BALANCE	6.25

#### 16. Vital Statistics

Appropriation	20.00
Payment	
George H. Hosmer	3.00
BALANCE	\$17.00

#### 17. Dump 1974

Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Payments		
Walter M. Couch	2,020.35	
David Hosmer	2.00	
Daniel Pashby	2.00	
Robert Preston	2.00	
Preston Quinley	<u>7.00</u>	<u>2,033.35</u>
BALANCE		\$466.65

#### 18. Duncan 1974

Receipts	
State of New Hampshire a-c 1974	\$7,729.65
Balance, previous years	<u>4,602.37</u>
	\$12,332.04

Payments		
Gustaf Almstrom	75.00	
Blacktop	218.57	
Wallace R. Brown	960.00	
Eugene Crowdle	531.62	
Bruce Farnham	478.03	
Daniel Fifield	275.32	
William R. Fifield	740.49	
Dale McKinnon	100.63	
Northeastern Culvert Corp.	734.21	
Gary Perkins	1,176.00	
Daniel Virgin	506.73	
Wayne Wheeler	<u>2,991.50</u>	<u>8,788.10</u>
BALANCE		\$3,543.94

#### 19. Town Road Aid

Appropriation	\$1,427.14
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#### Payment

State of New Hampshire	1,427.14
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#### 20. Town Maintenance

Appropriation	\$31,784.83
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#### Receipts

Revenue Sharing 6/17/74 meeting	16,000.00	
Highway Subsidy Funds	17,215.17	
T.R.A.	5,893.85	
Gas Tax Refunds	1,131.39	
Miscellaneous	<u>396.60</u>	<u>40,637.01</u>
Total Available Funds		\$72,421.84

#### Payments

David Biron	60.38
Eugene Crowdle	7,416.20
Bruce Farnhan	6,421.66
Bruce Farnham-Mileage	40.00
Daniel Fifield	555.13
William R. Fifield	9,729.35
William R. Fifield-Mileage	960.00
Richard Green	1,985.92
Dale McKinnon	527.33
Daniel Virgin	6,460.76
Adams Glass	19.28
Astles Lumber	35.90

Auto Electric Service	574.47
B.B. Chain	246.55
Bailey Bros.	1,422.61
Barrett Equipment	139.02
Blacktop	341.55
Bucklin Tractor	228.69
Gerard Cameron	72.50
Capitol Glass Co.	15.00
Capitol Plumbing	121.28
Car-Go	945.38
Dr. Donald Catino	8.00
Chadwick Ba-Ross	549.97
Clarke's American Hardware	6.44
Max Cohen & Sons	658.21
Concord National Bank	4,803.80
Cressy & William	5.50
Dalphond Brothers	1,119.90
Davis Towle Agency	301.32
B. L. Dodge	77.07
Eaton-Jones	63.38
Fairmount	67.09
Gateway Motors	1,719.67
Genest Ford	373.97
John Grappone	413.90
Gulf Oil Corp.	5,320.32
Harry's Garage	35.00
R. C. Hazelton	859.88
R. C. Hazelton	1,255.00
Henry's Tire Service	41.46
Hoagland Auto	102.35
Charles Hill	70.00
Jim's Auto	50.43
Jordan-Milton	413.87
Kidder Garage Inc.	8.28
Knoxland	62.96
LaPorte	240.00
Merriam-Graves Corp.	761.19
Merrimack Farmers Exch.	656.86
Moulton Construction	225.00
N.H. & Vt. Hospitalization	2,400.40
N/E Culvert	3,975.91
New London Hardware	122.51
New London Hosp. Assoc.	36.00
L. Earl Nichol's	1,437.60
Elodie Palmer	476.20
Panbro Sales Corp.	302.54
Ralph's Truck Sales	487.85

Ralph's Texaco	5.25	
Donald E. Rowe	300.00	
Earl A. Rowe	45.00	
Harold B. Rowe	108.00	
Sanel Auto Parts	2,174.97	
Sutton General Store	23.19	
The Chemical Corp.	1,272.10	
T & L Electric Inc.	93.57	
Raylor Rental	117.90	
United Tire Corp.	18.40	
Vernondale Store	13.53	
Warner Fuel	196.96	
Weed's Service	175.55	
J. H. Westerbeke	110.05	
Wayne Wheeler	<u>225.00</u>	<u>72,838.26</u>

**OVERDRAFT** \$ 416.42

#### 21. Street Lighting

Appropriation		\$2500.00
Payments		
Public Service Co.	108.74	
Public Ser. Co., Newport	<u>1,849.36</u>	<u>1,958.10</u>
Balance		541.90

#### 22. General Expenses-Highway Dept.

Appropriation		2,500.00
Payments		
Warner Fuel Co.	1,356.21	
Pub. Ser. Co. NH	378.59	
Merrimack Cty. Tel.	342.59	
Streeter Plb. & Htg.	<u>27.10</u>	<u>2,104.49</u>
BALANCE		\$395.51

#### 23. Library

Appropriation		900.00
Receipts		
Trustees of Trust Funds		<u>4,302.73</u>
		5,202.73



## Payments

Appropriation	900.00	
Grace Nelson Library Fund	3,920.28	
	329.19	
	<u>74.29</u>	<u>5,223.76</u>
Balance		21.03

## 24. Old Age Assistance

Appropriation		1,000.00
Receipts		
State of N. H.		<u>499.50</u>
		\$1,499.59

## Payments

State of New Hampshire	<u>495.29</u>	
Balance		\$1,004.30

## 25. Town Poor

Appropriation		200.00
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## Payments

George H. Hosmer		
A/C Services	104.00	
John A. Kelly		
A/C Rent Case 1	<u>155.00</u>	<u>259.00</u>
OVERDRAFT		59.00

## 26. Soldiers' Aid

Appropriation		100.00
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## Payment

A/C Care No. 1	48.00	<u>48.00</u>
Balance		52.00

## 27. Recreation & Commons

Appropriation		200.00
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## No Payments

Balance		200.00
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## 28. Memorial Day & Other Celebrations

Appropriation		350.00
Payments		
New London Legion Post	125.00	
H.A. Holt & Sons	46.00	
Treas., Old Home Day	<u>100.00</u>	<u>271.00</u>
Balance		79.00

## 29. Community Action Program

Appropriation		500.00
Payment		
Belknap Merrimack C.A.P.		<u>500.00</u>
Balance		00.00

## 30. Cemeteries

Appropriation		1,000.00
Receipts, Trustee of Trust Fund		<u>1,892.97</u>
		2,892.97
Payments		
Argus-Champion	17.67	
Merrill's Landscaping	2,581.69	
Merrimack Farmer Exch.	72.80	
Pub. Ser. Co. NH	28.15	
Streeter Plg. & Htg.	<u>33.95</u>	<u>2,894.26</u>
Overdraft		1.29

## 31. Old Store Museum

Receipts, Trustees of Trust Funds	\$1,400.00
Payments	
Trustees, Old Store Museum	\$1,400.00
BALANCE	00.00

32. Damages & Legal Expenses including Dog Damages

Payments

Hall, Morse, Gallagher & Anderson	200.00	
Merrimack County Sheriff	29.44	
Harold Whittemore	<u>17.00</u>	
		\$246.44

33. Regional Associates

Appropriation		\$405.00
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Payment

Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council		<u>405.00</u>
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BALANCE		00.00
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34. Taxes Bought by Town

Payment

George H. Hosmer		\$13,659.77
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35. Refunds, Abatements

Genevieve Abbott	112.11	
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Barrett	41.54	
S.S. Call Estate	54.00	
Peter Coe	.64	
Helen A. Edwards	40.90	
Herman Forster	505.56	
John Hearne	50.00	
G.H. Hosmer-a-c Yield Tax	724.38	
Stuart Jones	50.00	
Mildred T. Lefferts	550.80	
John & Pauline Mansell	50.00	
James Neil Co.	176.62	
William Randall	439.35	
Clarence Robinson	65.94	
Sylvia Smiley	11.00	
Town of Sutton	586.25	
Robert S. Wright	<u>9.60</u>	
		\$3,468.69

36. Retirement & Social Security

Appropriation		\$3,000.00
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Receipts		
½ withheld	2,880.82	
A/c Librarian	122.08	
A/c Howard M. Smith	93.60	
A/c Mary Csutor	<u>26.32</u>	
		\$6,122.82
Payment		
Treasurer, State of N.H.		<u>\$5,761.65</u>
BALANCE		\$361.15

### 37. New Trusts 1974

Receipts		
Ralph & Emma Whipple	105.00	
Alfred & Marjorie Wilmot	75.00	
Katherine Palmer	140.00	
Jean A. Ardell	140.00	
Therese York	140.00	
William & Christine Chadwick	800.00	
Luke T. Cheney	105.00	
Olga Preston	105.00	
Lucille & Donald Chadwick	<u>105.00</u>	
		\$1,715.00
Payments		
Trustees of Trust Funds		<u>1,715.00</u>
		00.00

### 38, Payments A/C Trusts

Receipt		
Trustees of Trust Funds		\$262.50
Payments		
Free Will Baptist Church	100.00	
First Baptist Church of Sutton	100.00	
So. Sutton Comm. Church	<u>62.50</u>	
		<u>\$262.50</u>
39. Interest		00.00

Appropriations		
A/c Temporary Loans		1,000.00
A/c Long Term Notes		750.00
Receipts		<u>2,755.76</u>
		\$4,505.76



Payments		
Sugar River Savings Bank		
A/c Temporary Loans	2,857.15	
Sugar River Savings Bank		
A/c L.T. Notes	<u>273.28</u>	
		<u>\$3,130.43</u>
BALANCE		\$1,375.33
40. Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes		
Receipts	135,000.00	135,000.00
Payments		
Citizens National Bank		135,000.00
41. Payments on Long Term Notes		
Citizens National Bank		
A/c Highway Truck		2,475.00
A/c Tank Truck, Fire Dept.		<u>3,350.00</u>
		\$5,825.00
42. Town History, Reprint		
Appropriation		7,788.00
Payments		
B&S	2.30	
N.H. Printers	826.80	
Postage	114.20	
Daniel H. Wolf	<u>188.80</u>	
		1,132.10
BALANCE		6,655.90
43. Solid Waste Disposal		
Appropriation 1974		
Capital Reserve Fund		4,000.00
Appropriation 1973		
Fed. Rev. Sharing		<u>7,750.00</u>
		\$11,750.00
Payment		
Lull & Prescott		<u>45.00</u>
		11,705.00

#### 44. Fire House

Appropriation, Special		
Town Meeting 6/17/74		\$16,000.00

#### Receipts

A/c Notes	37,400.00	
A/c Plans & Specifications	251.00	
Balance, Previous Approp.		
Rev. Sharing	<u>6,597.09</u>	
		\$60,248.09

#### Payments

Chadwick & Wittemore	40,000.00	
Allen V. Evans	360.00	
Kearsarge Insurance Agency	170.00	
William Mahoney	538.45	
Monitor Publishing Co.	80.64	
Public Serv. Co. of N.H.	39.50	
Refunds A/c Plans	101.00	
Earl A. Rowe	6,027.00	
Soils Engineering	180.25	
Valley News	76.94	
Charles F. Whittemore	<u>36.45</u>	<u>47,610.23</u>

BALANCE		\$12,637.86
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#### 45. New Equipment - Highway Department

#### Appropriations

Trucks 4w 1973 (balance)		5,500.00
Shovel-Loader 1974		5,500.00

#### Receipts

Capitol Reserve Funds	10,055.91	
Notes	9,000.00	
Revenue Sharing Funds	<u>1,850.00</u>	
		\$31,905.91

#### Payments

John Grappone (truck)	12,350.00	
Jordan-Milton (loader)	<u>19,725.00</u>	<u>32,075.00</u>

OVERDRAFT		\$169.09
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#### 46. Payments, Capital Reserve Funds

##### Appropriations

Solid Waste Disposal	4,000.00	
Conservation Commission	1,000.00	
Fire Department Equip.	<u>250.00</u>	
		5,250.00

##### Payment

Trustees of Trust Funds		5,250.00
BALANCE		00.00

#### 47. Payment to Savings, Revenue Sharing Funds

##### Receipts, United States

Treasurer		16,545.00
Payments, Sugar River		
Savings Bank		16,545.00

#### 48. State & County

##### Payments

County Tax	28,041.53	
Treasurer, State of N.H.	<u>245.80</u>	
		\$28,287.33

(A/c Debt Retirement Tax)

#### 49. School District

##### Appropriation

A/c 1973 - 74		110,248.53
A/c 1974 - 75		<u>142,000.00</u>
		\$252,248.53

**SUTTON FREE LIBRARY**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974 and 1973**

	1973	1974	Increase or (Decrease)
Cash on Hand and in Bank, Jan. 1, 1974	<u>\$7,230.05</u>	<u>\$5,635.76</u>	<u>\$(1,594.29 )</u>
Income:			
Approp., Town of Sutton	3,300.00	900.00	(2,400.00 )
Dividends - Library Trust Funds 1971 to 1974		727.47	727.47
Grace P. Nelson Trust Fund 1971 - 1972	672.60		(672.60)
Grace P. Nelson Trust Fund 1972 - 1973	2,181.44		(2,181.44)
Grace P. Nelson Trust Fund 1973 - 1974		3,853.24	3,853.24
Sale of Books	20.50	13.95	(6.55)
Interest - Sutton Free Library Savings 1974 - Prior Years	324.52		(324.52)
Grace P. Nelson Estate Final Memorial Gift	3,902.50	13.85	(3,888.65)
Bernard Howe		15.00	15.00
Total Income	<u>10,401.56</u>	<u>5,523.51</u>	<u>(4,878.05 )</u>
Total Income and Cash in Bank	<u>17,631.61</u>	<u>11,159.27</u>	<u>(6,472.34)</u>
Operating Expenses			
Purchases - Books and Magazines	2,252.05	1,444.97	(807.08)
Fuel - Heating Repairs	253.46	396.95	143.49
Electricity	232.42	246.79	14.37
Librarian Salary	757.75	884.33	126.58
Care of Grounds			
Snow Removal	84.15	70.00	(14.15)
Lawn care	139.00	171.50	32.50
Landscaping	140.90	90.15	(50.75)
Telephone	168.14	166.48	(1.66)
Library Supplies	59.16	16.66	(42.50)
Social Security Expense	61.50	95.76	34.26
Cleaning Library - Waxing floors	52.22	152.60	100.38
N.H. Library Trustees Assn. dues	18.00	18.00	
Advertising		39.25	39.25



Bank Service Charge		7.17	7.17
Postage	6.56	55.00	48.44
Other Subscriptions			
Art Work		74.20	74.20
Plumbing	295.60		(295.60)
Freight	136.08		(136.08)
Ordinary Repairs	65.00		(65.00)
Trustees Expenses — Library			
Workshops	25.20		(25.20)
Maintenance		41.76	41.76
Total Operating Exp.	<u>\$4,747.19</u>	<u>\$3,971.57</u>	<u>\$(775.62)</u>
<b>Other Expenses</b>			
New Equipment	516.35		(516.35)
New Furniture - Grace P.			
Nelson Room	1,765.65	647.30	(1,118.35)
Painting - outside library	285.00		(285.00)
Miscellaneous	15.00	38.58	23.58
Rug Runner - Main Lobby and			
Foyer		84.00	84.00
Lamps - Grace P. Nelson Room		142.35	142.35
Bookcase		250.00	250.00
Storm Windows		72.00	72.00
New Furnace		1,005.75	1,005.75
Flagpole		35.00	35.00
Grace P. Nelson Bronze			
Plaque		313.00	313.00
Friends of the Library			
Funding		51.50	51.50
Total Other Expenses	<u>2,582.00</u>	<u>2,639.48</u>	<u>57.48</u>
Total Expenses	<u>7,329.19</u>	<u>6,611.05</u>	<u>(718.14)</u>
	\$10,302.42	\$4,548.22	(5,754.20)
Grace P. Nelson Trust -			
Transferred to Town Trustees of			
Trust Funds	4,666.66		(4,666.66)
Cash on Hand and in Bank	<u>\$5,635.76</u>	<u>\$4,548.22</u>	<u>\$(1,087.54)</u>
<b>Analysis of Cash on Hand and in Bank</b>			
Grace P. Nelson Bequest	\$3,902.50	\$2,896.75	\$(1,005.75)
Dividends - Sutton Free Library			
Trust Funds		256.95	256.95
Bal. Furniture Fund - Town			
Appropriation	598.27	598.27	
Balance - Checking Acc't	76.39	62.17	(14.22)
Sutton Free Library			
Savings Account	1,058.60	734.08	(324.52)
Totals	<u>\$5,635.76</u>	<u>\$4,548.22</u>	<u>\$(1,087.54)</u>

Amelia R. Chapman,

Treasurer.  
Board of Trustees

**SUTTON FREE LIBRARY**  
**COMPARISON OF ACTUAL AND ESTIMATED OPERATING EXPENSES**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 1974 and 1975**

	1974 Actual	1975 Estimated	Increase or (Decrease)
<b>Operating Expenses</b>			
Librarian Salary	884.33	982.80	98.47
Electricity	246.79	296.00	49.21
Fuel	329.60	495.00	165.40
Snow Removal - Lawns	241.50	295.00	53.50
Telephone	166.48	200.00	33.52
Social Security Exp.	95.76	103.00	7.24
Cleaning Library	152.60	200.00	47.40
Ordinary Repairs	41.76	100.00	58.24
Total Operating Expenses	\$2,158.82	\$2,671.80	\$512.98
Town Appropriation	900.00	900.00	
Operating Expenses Paid by Grace P. Nelson			
Interest Income	\$1,258.82	\$1,771.80	\$512.98

Note: INFLATION ALSO EFFECTS YOUR LIBRARY. As the cost of maintaining and improving library service has increased, it has become increasingly difficult to support these services on interest income. Therefore, it becomes extremely necessary for the town to assume more of this burden than it has for many years past. Your Library Board of Trustees urges you to **support your library** so that continued cultural and educational progress may be made.

## REPORT FROM THE LIBRARY BOARD ROOM

Our report to you in 1974 indicated that your Library Board would endeavor to "Move along the Path of Progress" in accepting the challenge of updating your library. We are meeting this challenge and are moving in the right direction by not only being diligently active but also by being informed of our community needs regarding the selection of books, periodicals, program requested, and then implemented wherever and whenever possible. It has been most gratifying and rewarding to see our efforts, in bringing an awareness of this lovely library to the public, have been somewhat achieved. This Library Board feels that an efficient and readily accessible library, indeed, is essential to our town.

This past year has revealed the tremendous potential of not only our library circulation but also the expanded use of the Grace P. Nelson Community Room which was officially dedicated on September 29, 1974. Our observance of National Library Week, whose theme was "Getting it Altogether With Books" was an outstanding success. More than one hundred exhibits were shown by local talented craftsmen and viewed by several hundred more townspeople who were making their initial visit to their library. An Art Exhibit by Mr. William Neat of Concord, N. H., whose works were called "Reflections in Nature", was also enthusiastically received - so much so, that more Art Exhibits are being planned for the current year. Too numerous to mention, other interesting programs, sponsored by the newly organized Friends of the Library Group, were equally well received. This auspicious awareness of your library only seeks to react to and reflect the needs of the whole man, the whole community.

INFLATION has hit your library as it has many other throughout the State. With a 12% annual rate of inflation, no form of investment today, whether it be in time deposits, stocks or bonds, will generate sufficient income to keep pace with the depreciation of the dollar on today's market. This condition, hopefully, is temporary. As costs of maintaining and improving service has increased, it has become increasingly difficult to support these services on interest income. We would like to stress that our library is beset with the same problems of inflation and rising costs as town government and other small businesses. The costs of maintaining the library are spiralling as are the costs of purchasing books for your pleasures and needs. Publishers are passing on their increases in wages, paper and materials onto the buying public. We are being hit right down the line in all directions. In view of the hard to face facts, **your library is receiving the same slice of the town budgetary pie that it received in 1959**, allowing for a minimal increase of \$100.00 in 1974. Since no substantial increase in town appropriation for the library has been made, in reality, we have had a **budget cut in our appropriation**. An unchanged appropriation fails to keep pace with a rampant inflation of the current times. Your Library Board of Trustess would like you to know that every attempt is being made to "Bite the Bullet", so to speak, but there is just so much bullet biting it can do without depriving your community of services it needs,



especially at the children and young adult levels. The awareness of the library is being felt and evidenced. Book circulation has increased 25% - a giant step forward - the Grace P. Nelson Community Room is being patronized and used - education programs and Art Exhibits have drawn a goodly percentage of the townspeople. May we ask you, "Shall we continue to progress along that path of progress or shall we again stagnate and regress."

It is doubtful whether any other country, with our degree of literacy, so neglects to use one of its most cultural assets - their community library. Are we to become a town of mental paupers, devoid of the recognition of one of our most cherished heritages? Or have we become so accustomed to being spoon-fed mentally - seldom intellectually - via the electronic media - that we no longer desire to seek the ideas given us by some of the best minds in any of the several areas of entertainment, diversion, art, travel, history - the list is long.

TASTES, DESIRES, AIMS, ASPIRATIONS vary, just as persons vary. People concerned with your library are more than usually mindful of that simple truism. That is why the better books are selected in a vast variety. Some of us like romances with heroes and heroines meeting hardships and dangers with admirable courage and in the end having their great love revealed to them.

There are those who prefer spy, detective and mystery stories. **YOUR LIBRARY HAS THEM.** It also has books on travel which lets you sit in your armchair and visit Paris, London, Rome, Athens, and other far away places. If you cannot find the time to visit art galleries, museums, stay at home and visit them in books which will probably tell the story of the works of art, of their creators, and why they were created, better than the professional guides do. Possibly your interests are in home improvement, gardening or in arts and crafts. There are many books available on these and kindred subjects in **YOUR LIBRARY.**

The library, which is yours, is here. The splendid and often beautiful books are there. The almost inexhaustible pleasures to be found in them is awaiting your participation. Only one small effort is required of you -- to go to your library, talk to your librarian, examine the available books that will interest you and select those you will wish to read. Surely that poses no problem and you will be immensely rewarded. Assuredly, your tax dollar buys more at your library than it would anywhere in this nation at present day values.

In conclusion, your Library Board of Trustees shall continue its efforts to strengthen your library, expand its services, and, to quote from Alfred Lord Tennyson's poem "Ulysses", Sutton Free Library can reflect the convictions of Ulysses, in pushing forward into the unknown: "TO STRIVE, TO SEEK, TO FIND, AND NOT TO YIELD."

Sutton Free Library Board of Trustees

Amelia R. Chapman  
Eleanor Lewis  
Alice Keller

Barbara Wade  
Jean Gerhard  
Catherine Gill



## THE FRIENDS OF THE SUTTON FREE LIBRARY

The Sutton Free Library Board of Trustees foresaw the need of a Friends of the Library Group in your community in light of the rapid growth of the town and the planned expanded services of the library at all age levels. A meeting was held on March 6, 1974 in the Grace P. Nelson Community Room for the sole purpose of determining whether such an organization in our town would be feasible and warranted – approximately thirty interested people were in attendance. Mrs. Joan Blanchard, The State of New Hampshire Supervisor of the Friends of the Library Assn. outlined the purpose and usefulness of such a group of dedicated people in any community. She was assisted by Mrs. Tala Wilbur, the State Library Representative for the Southwest District.

This meeting was a fruitful one and has proved to be a tremendous asset to our library as evidenced by the friends promotion of not only interest in the library, but also by sponsoring projects of benefit to your community. This group of dedicated and concerned citizens have willingly given their time, energy, talents, and resources in order to promote the betterment of your community in many cultural and educational areas.

Summer activities included Parent-Children Nights under the direction of Macy Doherty assisted by Dan Pashby, Jessie Quinley, and Monty Iacovelli. Motion pictures of interest to children were shown at the Town Hall on these nights. Rental costs of the films were met, in part, by contributions made by those attending the shows. Also, a part of the summer activity, were reading and story-telling programs for children from 5 to 12 years of age, and a rocket-building and launching project for a teen-age group. The reading and story-telling programs, conducted by Priscilla Fauver assisted by Susan Cochran, Kathy Gill, Susan Lonsdale, and Susan MacAllister, ended with a children's party and the awarding by the library trustees of certificates for creative projects related to books read by the children during the summer. The rocket-building program was directed by Clinton Condict. Other summer programs were a sewing class for girls offered by Mrs. Anna Mae Herman, and the transporting of senior citizens of Sutton, who were in need of such assistance, to and from Concord.

A baby-sitting course for girls and boys of ages 12 through 15 was sponsored during the fall. The first session dealt with safety in the home and was conducted by Police Chief Eugene Crowdle and Fire Chief Pete Thompson. The course was concluded with talks by Mrs. Marjorie Rupp, operator of the Pre-School Center in New London, and by Mrs. Irene Traynor, school nurse of this area.

In early September, a plant and flower sale was held on the library grounds. Proceeds from this sale, which was organized by Dan Pashby, together with money received from the sale of greeting cards and stationery sold through the facilities of the library, helped finance the various programs.

Lectures and motion pictures of interest to adults featured the monthly meetings of the Friends of the Library throughout the winter. A Christmas party meeting in mid-December was highlighted by a gift of Christmas trees to the library and to the Sutton School. It was forty years ago that the library had its last Christmas tree.

Programs under consideration at the time of this writing are a quilting class which was proposed by the girls who attended the baby-sitting course, dance classes for adults and children, and educational motion pictures to be shown to Sutton school children during their regularly scheduled visits to the library.

Mrs. Macy Dogherty and Mrs. Ben Iacovelli are co-chairmen, and Dan Pashby is secretary and treasurer of the Friends of the Library.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

1 Abduction and Sexual Assault	3 Minor in Possession
8 Animal Complaints	7 Missing Persons
6 Assaults	34 Motor Vehicle Accidents
14 Assists Other Departments	19 Motor Vehicle Complaints
1 Bomb Explosion	31 Motorists Assisted
2 Bomb Threats	5 Nuisance Phone Calls
4 Building Check Requests	5 Obscene Phone Calls
12 Defective Equipment	4 Person Check Requests
4 Disorderly Conduct	8 Prowlers
46 Dog Complaints	4 Runaway Children
6 Domestic Complaints	1 Shooting
9 Drug Offenses	5 Snowmobile Complaints
8 DWI	1 Stolen Car Recovered
1 Fatal Motor Vehicle Accident	25 Suspicious Persons Checked
1 Fraudulent Check	23 Thefts
21 Housebreaks	20 Trespassing
3 Hunting Violations	15 Vandalism
8 Illegal Discharge Firearms	2 Woods Searches
2 Littering	1983 Hours
1 Lost Snowmobile	19176 Miles
8 Messages Delivered	799 Calls

Our radio equipment was finally delivered in November. The new equipment consists of two portable four-channel radios, an antenna and desk charger unit, and two in-car chargers. One radio is being used at the Chief's house to dispatch calls. The other unit is in service weekdays and whenever the cruiser is not being used. This provides direct contact between the police phone and the radios and has proved its usefulness on a number of occasions.

We now have electric marking pens available for your use. We urge everyone to take advantage of these pens to mark their valuables for identification purposes in case of theft and also to prevent theft. These pens have been made possible through the contributions of many town businesses and organizations. Please call the police phone for further information.

The number of calls to the police department increased again in 1974. In 1971 there were 52 calls and 574 hours worked, 1972 - 210 calls and 1140 hours worked, 1973 - 484 calls and 1289 hours worked, 1974 - 799 calls and 1983 hours worked. We do not foresee a decrease in calls for 1975. In the past year you will note an increase in the number of calls involving crimes of a violent nature. We do not feel that these figures warrant the cutback in patrols which would result from the decrease in the budget.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eugene Crowdle, Chief



**PROGRESS REPORT**  
**THE REFUSE DISPOSAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**of the**  
**TOWN OF SUTTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**December 1974**

In August, 1974, the Selectmen of the Town of Sutton appointed the following members of a Refuse Disposal Planning Committee: Mrs. John Mansell, Mr. Donald Rowe, Mr. Darrel Palmer, Mr. George A. Harkins and Mr. E. S. Harding, Chairman.

Since its formation, the committee has had four formal meetings, one each in the months of September, October, November, and December. In addition, the chairman and various members of the committee have participated in seven meetings sponsored by the Regional Planning Commission, Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Region. These have included site inspections and conferences on solid waste disposal in Sutton, New London, Newport, and Durham, N. H.

As the first order of business, we requested the State Division of Public Health to make an Inspection of our existing Sutton Dump, located off Route 114, to determine if it would be suitable for continued use as a disposal site. On October 28, 1974, we received written confirmation from Mr. Thomas L. Sweeney, of the Division of Public Health, that an inspection of the dump site had been made and it would not be suitable for continue use as a disposal site after July 1, 1975, because of the high water table in the entire area. The committee does understand that it can be used for a stump dump or as a collection site for transfer to a regional landfill.

The committee estimates that the Town of Sutton generates between eight and twelve tons of solid waste per week for disposal.

At this point in the committee's study, it appears that there are three alternatives worthy of consideration for the disposal of Sutton's solid waste. These are:

1. The purchase and equipping of a new sanitary landfill site in the Town of Sutton.
2. Building a resource recovery plant where through recycling and incineration all solid waste material could be processed.
3. Establishing a transfer station in the town (possibly at the present dump site) where solid waste would be collected in containers to be transferred periodically to:



4. Request Kearsarge Regional High School to install a baling machine in order that their large volume of waste paper may be salvaged and sold, rather than transferred to the dump.
5. Encourage the townspeople, by education or otherwise, to dispose of their organic material and garbage through home composting rather than delivery to the dump.

Whether the town facility off Route 114 is operated as a dump or as a transfer station, the committee believes that strong supervision at the site will be required. Therefore, in making up our budget estimate, we have included the figure of \$2,500 for supervision and miscellaneous expenses of the dump for the year 1975. In addition, for the 26-week period beginning July 1, 1975, we have included the amount of \$1,190 for transferring approximately 208 tons of refuse to the regional or intermunicipal dump.

During the course of the year certain heavy equipment has been used at the dump to cover the refuse. The cost of this service amounts to approximately \$1,500, and has previously been paid out of the Highway budget. We believe this should more properly be included in the dump budget. The construction of a loading ramp will be required for the transfer station and we have included \$500 for this purpose. Recap -

Supervision and Miscellaneous Expense	\$2,500
Use of Heavy Equipment	1,500
Loading Dock	500
Transfer Costs	<u>1,290</u>
	\$5,790

Since 1975 will be a year of transition for many small communities, it is very probable that during the course of the year new alternatives for handling the solid waste disposal problem may develop and procedures will become more standardized.

Respectfully submitted,  
E. S. Harding, Chairman

- a. A regional landfill site such as Newport, N. H., or
- b. An intermunicipal landfill site such as one that might be established for the joint use of Sutton, New London, and Wilmot.

### ALTERNATIVE 1.

In considering the first alternative, the committee has studied at length the laws of the State of N. H. related to solid waste disposal, with particular attention to laws governing site requirements for sanitary landfill and regulations governing the operation of a sanitary landfill. In both instances, the topography of the Town of Sutton is such that only a very limited number of sites in the area will fulfill these stringent requirements. To date, the following sites have been visited and evaluated:

Property 1. Property owned by Cleveland, Kidder, West, French,  
Morgan off Mountain Road.

Property 2. Property on North Road owned by Davis.

Property 3. Property on Baker Road owned by Palmer.

Test pits have been dug on property No. 1 and Property No. 3 and a report from the State is awaited.

If a site meeting the requirements can be found, the cost of preparing it to meet the state requirements is considerable. For example, to purchase and prepare a site of approximately ten to fifteen acres to comply with State standards could involve a capital investment of approximately \$100,000. It is possible to amortize a major portion of these capital costs over a period of years to reduce the annual expenditure. It is also possible that this could become an intermunicipal landfill where the annual costs would be shared by the other towns that might use the facility.

### ALTERNATIVE 2.

In considering the second alternative, the members of this committee have visited the recycling plant in Nottingham, N. H. Since this was a pilot project, data is still being accumulated on its advantages and disadvantages and its cost of operation. The Nottingham program provides a complete resource recovery system and includes home separation, recycling, incineration, and landfill residual. The cost of equipment has increased considerably since this plant was built and the current indication is that a capital investment of approximately \$125,000 would be required to duplicate it now.

Income from the recycled material helps to reduce the cost of operation. Unfortunately, the market for recycled materials is unstable and current

transportation costs to get them to this market have increased, tending to limit the income from this source. As in the case of the sanitary landfill, some of these capital expenditures can be amortized over a period of years and the facilities can be made available to neighboring communities to help reduce the cost.

### ALTERNATIVE 3.

As one continues the study of resolving the problems of solid waste disposal, it becomes increasingly evident that to make a sanitary landfill or a recycling plant financially feasible, it should be in operation a full 40-hour week and handling substantial volumes of refuse. This fosters the concept of the regional or intermunicipal type of operation. The Town of Sutton by itself has a relatively small volume of solid waste. It appears that its most practical solution for the time being at least is to transfer its solid waste either to a regional facility located in an area such as Newport or to an inter-municipal facility which might develop in New London or elsewhere nearby. Neither of these possibilities currently exists. As the deadline of July 1, 1975 approaches and the various towns in our area become better acquainted with the problem that solid waste disposal presents, it seems to your committee that one or the other, or both, of these possibilities for transfer may develop. The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Region of the Regional Planning Commission through the efforts of its staff member, Mr. Robert Ward, is rendering a very vital service in helping to bring this about.

It is much too soon to make a firm recommendation with respect to the course that the Town of Sutton should pursue. However, based on our present knowledge (and subject to revision, if there are new developments), the committee would make the following recommendations for consideration as a method of handling the disposal of solid waste material in Sutton for the year 1975.

1. Continuation of the present use of the dump on Route 114 until July 1, 1975.
2. Effective July 1, 1975, establish a transfer station at the present dump site and enter into a contract for hauling the refuse from this point to a regional or intermunicipal disposal site.
3. Since paper makes up about 40 percent of the solid waste material, it is recommended that by ordinance, or otherwise, the residents of Sutton be requested to store their newspapers and magazines at home. Periodically, a trailer will be made available at the transfer site where residents may then bring their newspapers, magazines, etc. to be loaded directly into the trailer for transfer to the paper processing plant.



# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF SUTTON, N.H. ON DECEMBER 31, 1974

Date of Creation	Name of TRUST FUND (Lot Fund)	How Invested	New Funds	Balance		Income		Expended		Balance End Year
				Beginning Year	End Year	Beginning Year	During Year	During Year	During Year	
1909	Mary Wadleigh	C.S.B.		49.00	49.00			3.05	2.79	7.46
1909	Betsy J. Eaton	C.S.B.		100.00	100.00			6.34	5.80	16.42
1909	Ruth N. Stinson	C.S.B.		100.00	100.00			6.24	5.71	14.72
1909	Ruth N. Stinson	C.S.B.		200.00	200.00			16.56	15.15	103.82
1910	Emma Abbott	C.S.B.		50.00	50.00			3.23	2.95	9.44
1912	David Johnson	C.S.B.		50.00	50.00			3.19	2.92	8.80
1914	Charles Kohlrausch	C.S.B.		200.00	200.00			12.76	11.68	34.36
1944	Fred E. Nelson (Yard Fund)	C.S.B.		2,000.00	2,000.00			142.97	130.84	610.38
1948	John MacIntosh	C.S.B.		250.00	250.00			15.89	14.54	41.22
1948	Georgianna Nelson	C.S.B.		50.00	50.00			3.41	3.12	13.06
1970	Evelyn Wasson	C.S.B.		70.00	70.00			4.05	3.70	4.67
1971	Fred L. Davis	C.S.B.		500.00	500.00			28.18	26.78	15.62
1971	Carleton & Beatrice Bradford	C.S.B.		150.00	150.00			8.34	7.63	3.55
1971	Genevieve A. Abbott	C.S.B.		170.00	170.00			9.30	8.51	.79
1971	Marilyn & Chas. Hurd	C.S.B.		70.00	70.00			3.81	3.49	.32
1971	Shirley & Howard Hazen	C.S.B.		70.00	70.00			3.81	3.49	.32
1971	Douglas Anderson	C.S.B.		100.00	100.00			5.45	4.99	.46
1971	Augusta M. Bernard	C.S.B.		35.00	35.00			1.92	1.76	.83
1971	Helen Atherton	C.S.B.		140.00	140.00			7.79	7.13	3.29



	Helen A. Hisler	C.S.B.	70.00	70.00	.30	3.82	3.50	.62
1972	Total Lot and Cemetery Trust Funds		4,424.00	4,424.00	866.52	290.11	266.48	890.15
	Concord Savings Bank							
1914	P.S.H. Wadleigh	N.H.S.B.	70.00	70.00	14.80	4.64	4.24	15.20
1922	Frank J. Pillsbury	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	15.81	6.34	5.80	16.35
1923	Henry Peaslea	N.H.S.B.	50.00	50.00	10.05	3.30	3.02	10.33
1924	Sarah Russell	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	15.87	6.35	5.67	16.55
1924	Sarah Johnson	N.H.S.B.	95.00	95.00	12.41	5.87	5.37	12.91
1924	Mary Pressy	N.H.S.B.	200.00	200.00	31.38	12.73	11.65	32.46
1924	Mrs. Frances Ferry	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	14.88	6.29	5.75	15.42
1925	Bertha Elkins	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	13.81	6.23	5.70	14.34
1926	Arthur K. Rix	N.H.S.B.	250.00	250.00	89.89	18.65	17.06	91.48
1928	Little & Bean	N.H.S.B.	300.00	300.00	26.44	17.93	16.41	27.96
1928	George C. Pillsbury	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	13.06	6.20	5.67	13.59
1928	Stephen Woodward	N.H.S.B.	50.00	50.00	9.36	3.24	2.96	9.64
1929	John Pressy	N.H.S.B.	50.00	50.00	6.58	3.07	2.81	6.84
1930	John & Jeanette Eaton	N.H.S.B.	75.00	75.00	10.45	4.69	4.29	10.87
1930	Arthur & Arletti Merrill	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.10	6.35	5.81	16.64
1930	Ellen A.H. Hoyt	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	15.95	6.35	5.81	16.49
1930	Matthew H. Kohlrausch	N.H.S.B.	150.00	150.00	16.95	9.15	8.37	17.72
1931	Leonard F.E. Dresser	N.H.S.B.	150.00	150.00	18.04	9.21	8.43	18.82
1932	Abbie M. Dillingham	N.H.S.B.	75.00	75.00	13.38	4.85	4.34	13.89
1932	John N. Pressy	N.H.S.B.	300.00	300.00	64.66	20.11	18.41	66.36
1932	S.E. Richards/Betsy Colby	N.H.S.B.	150.00	150.00	8.46	8.73	7.99	9.20
1933	Fred H. Pratt	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	14.29	6.26	5.73	14.82
1934	Fred A. Felch	N.H.S.B.	200.00	200.00	16.82	11.90	10.89	17.83
1934	Eva Nelson	N.H.S.B.	200.00	200.00	21.18	12.16	11.13	22.21
1935	Moses Blaisdell	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.33	6.36	5.82	16.87

1935	Sarah Davis	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.24	6.36	5.82	16.78
1935	Horace Chadwick	N.H.S.B.	200.00	200.00	14.04	11.77	10.77	15.04
1956	Elder Frank Nelson	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.04	6.35	5.81	16.58
1956	Truman Putney	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.04	6.35	5.81	16.58
1956	James M. Nelson	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.04	6.35	5.81	16.58
1961	Harvey W. Chadwick	N.H.S.B.	150.00	150.00	24.22	9.56	8.75	25.03
1968	Edward Kelley	N.H.S.B.	200.00	200.00	11.35	11.59	10.60	12.34
1968	Robert V. Davis	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00	5.43	5.78	5.29	5.92
1969	Helen Huse	N.H.S.B.	35.00	35.00	5.29	2.21	2.02	5.48
1969	Paul/Harriet Kyburg	N.H.S.B.	70.00	70.00	7.62	4.25	3.89	7.98
1969	Josef/Ilsa Reidmaier	N.H.S.B.	70.00	70.00	7.62	4.25	3.89	7.98
1969	Ernest/Beatrice Partridge	N.H.S.B.	70.00	70.00	10.62	4.40	4.02	11.00
1970	Addie P. Nelson	N.H.S.B.	400.00	400.00	23.38	23.24	21.26	25.36
1970	Gordon/Helen Davis	N.H.S.B.	70.00	70.00	6.69	4.19	3.83	7.05
1970	Thomas Manis	N.H.S.B.	35.00	35.00	3.31	2.10	1.92	3.49
1970	Hartley Kimball	N.H.S.B.	35.00	35.00	3.31	2.10	1.92	3.49
1970	Preston/Marilyn L. Roby	N.H.S.B.	70.00	70.00	6.23	4.16	3.80	6.59
1971	Barbara L. Gorton	N.H.S.B.	140.00	140.00	2.09	7.78	7.12	2.75
1971	Ralph L. Buck	N.H.S.B.	210.00	210.00	3.13	11.68	10.69	4.12
1972	Earl A. Rowe	N.H.S.B.	140.00	140.00		7.67	7.02	.65
1972	Helen L. Davis	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00		5.46	4.99	.47
1972	Norma L. Marble	N.H.S.B.	70.00	70.00		3.83	3.50	.33
1972	George L. Fisher	N.H.S.B.	100.00	100.00		5.46	4.99	.47
1972	Jean/Gerhardt Gerhardt	N.H.S.B.	70.00	70.00		3.83	3.50	.33
1972	Genevieve Abbott	N.H.S.B.	35.00	35.00		1.92	1.76	.16
1972	Town of Sutton (Cemetery Fund)	N.H.S.B.	385.00	385.00		21.12	19.32	1.80
Total Cemetery and Lot Funds - New Hampshire Savings Bank			\$6,420.00	\$6,420.00	705.65	390.72	357.23	739.14
1937	Francis Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	200.00	200.00	19.68	12.06	12.06	19.68

1937	Mabel P. Howlett	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.68	6.40	6.40	16.68
1938	Emma A. Loud	S.R.S.B.	50.00	50.00	8.84	3.21	3.21	8.84
1939	Fred W. Fisher	S.R.S.B.	500.00	500.00	383.10	48.68	48.68	383.10
1941	Stephen/Helen Huse	S.R.S.B.	300.00	300.00	306.45	33.37	33.37	306.45
1942	James/Mary Knowlton	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	15.77	6.36	6.36	15.77
1942	Frank Jordan	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	17.40	6.45	6.45	17.40
1942	Lewis Carroll Richard	S.R.S.B.	300.00	300.00	73.03	20.48	20.48	73.03
1943	Lewis Carroll Richard	S.R.S.B.	300.00	300.00	130.87	23.86	23.86	130.87
1945	J.L. Andrews	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	15.71	6.36	6.36	15.71
1946	Asa Nelson Todd	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.47	6.38	6.38	16.47
1946	Edwin Wright	S.R.S.B.	200.00	200.00	32.16	12.74	12.74	32.16
1946	Benjamin K. Coburn	S.R.S.B.	300.00	300.00	101.19	22.02	22.02	101.19
1947	Herbert L. Pillsbury	S.R.S.B.	200.00	200.00	29.12	12.58	12.58	29.12
1949	Fred Roby	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.31	6.38	6.38	16.31
1949	Albert E. Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	12.77	6.18	6.18	12.77
1950	Charlotte/George Wheeler	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	17.55	6.46	6.46	17.55
1950	John Sargent	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	56.38	8.58	8.58	56.38
1950	Frank Fisher	S.R.S.B.	2,822.81	2,822.81	701.20	193.41	193.41	701.20
	(Yard Fund)							
1952	Richard Hall	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	17.56	6.46	6.46	17.56
	(Lot Fund)							
1953	Hartley R. Bullard	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	15.31	6.33	6.33	15.31
1954	Minnie M. Cressy	S.R.S.B.	5,000.00	5,000.00	860.55	321.65	429.95	752.25
1956	Carlington G. Wells	S.R.S.B.	150.00	150.00	23.64	9.54	9.54	23.64
1956	Lucia Nolan	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.88	6.41	6.41	16.88
1957	Edna M. Whitther	S.R.S.B.	200.00	200.00	25.53	12.38	12.38	25.53
1957	Fred E. Merrill	S.R.S.B.	150.00	150.00	16.86	9.18	9.18	16.86
1957	Fernando P. Ayer	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	17.02	6.41	6.41	17.02
1957	Warren Whippen	S.R.S.B.	150.00	150.00	25.17	9.61	9.61	25.17



1957	Ralph C. Smith	S.R.S.B.	250.00	250.00	57.59	16.88	16.88	57.59
1958	Herman J. Hazen	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.25	6.38	6.38	16.25
1958	Blanche Littlehale	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.09	6.37	6.37	16.09
1958	Henry/Mary Mercer	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.48	6.38	6.38	16.48
1958	Obediah/Austin Morgan	S.R.S.B.	50.00	50.00	9.90	3.29	3.29	9.90
1959	Eugene/Belinda Cummings	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	17.50	6.45	6.45	17.50
1961	Don Simons	S.R.S.B.	1,000.00	1,000.00	368.17	75.09	75.09	368.17
1961	J. Harvey Merrill	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	13.16	6.22	6.22	13.16
1961	Harvey Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	150.00	150.00	23.51	9.53	9.53	23.51
1961	Warren B. Simons	S.R.S.B.	300.00	300.00	80.69	20.90	20.90	80.69
1961	Aflred M/Eleanor Harriman	S.R.S.B.	150.00	150.00	24.37	9.57	9.57	24.37
1961	Robert/George Todd	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.04	6.37	6.37	16.04
1961	Henry Palmer	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.71	6.40	6.40	16.71
1962	Addie P. Nelson	S.R.S.B.	220.00	220.00	35.15	13.91	13.91	35.15
1963	Chadwick & Gardner	S.R.S.B.	150.00	150.00	21.46	9.42	9.42	21.46
1963	Wm./Lizzie Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	150.00	150.00	30.46	9.91	9.91	30.46
1963	Fred O. Chase	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	16.08	6.37	6.37	16.08
1963	Oliver French	S.R.S.B.	50.00	50.00	7.73	3.17	3.17	7.73
1963	George/Annie Todd	S.R.S.B.	200.00	200.00	25.61	12.38	12.38	25.61
1963	Mabel Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	17.16	6.43	6.43	17.16
1964	Robert E. Roby	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	14.36	6.27	6.27	14.36
1964	Harry Swenson	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	13.87	6.25	6.25	13.87
1965	George B. Palmer	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	11.31	6.12	6.12	11.31
1966	Ada L. Little	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	11.39	6.12	6.12	11.39
1966	Paul Kutzner	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	9.35	6.00	6.00	9.35
1966	Karl/Margaret Stamp	S.R.S.B.	35.00	35.00	3.74	2.13	2.13	3.74
1966	Pat/Estelle Rooney	S.R.S.B.	35.00	35.00	6.77	2.28	2.28	6.77
1966	Mark L. Stevens	S.R.S.B.	200.00	200.00	18.05	11.96	11.96	18.05
1967	T.N. Prescott	S.R.S.B.	50.00	50.00	10.55	3.32	3.32	10.55
1967	Delos J. Bristol	S.R.S.B.	200.00	200.00	20.23	12.08	12.08	20.23



1968	Isaac Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	6.89	5.87	5.87	6.89
1968	George/Ella French	S.R.S.B.	100.00	100.00	7.51	5.90	5.90	7.51
1973	Bertha Cushing	S.R.S.B.	35.00	35.00		1.85	1.85	
1973	Bernard Cushing	S.R.S.B.	35.00	35.00		1.85	1.85	
1974	Ronald Palmer, Jr.	S.R.S.B.	35.00	35.00		.56	.56	
1974	Emma/Ralph Whipple	S.R.S.B.	105.00	105.00		1.64	1.64	
1974	Nancy Palmer	S.R.S.B.	35.00	35.00		.56	.56	
1974	Lois Palmer	S.R.S.B.	35.00	35.00		.56	.56	
1974	Lucille/Donald Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	105.00	105.00				
1974	Darrell Palmer	S.R.S.B.	35.00	35.00		.56	.56	
1974	Christine/Wm. L. Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	500.00	500.00		3.24	3.24	
1974	Ada P. & Chester J.							
	Chadwick	S.R.S.B.	300.00	300.00		1.95	1.95	
1974	Luke Cheney	S.R.S.B.	105.00	105.00		.47	.47	
1974	Marjorie/Alfred Wilmott	S.R.S.B.	75.00	75.00		.34	.34	
1974	Olga/Edwin Preston	S.R.S.B.	105.00	105.00		.47	.47	
1974	Lovejoy/Ardell	S.R.S.B.	140.00	140.00		.63	.63	
1974	Theresa/Donald York	S.R.S.B.	140.00	140.00		.63	.63	
Total Cemetery and Yard Funds -			\$1,715.00	\$16,982.81	\$18,697.81	\$3,953.33	\$1,160.96	\$1,269.26
Sugar River Savings Bank								\$3,845.03
Totals- Cemetery and Yard Funds			\$1,715.00	\$27,826.81	\$29,541.81	\$5,525.50	\$1,841.79	\$1,892.97
All Banks								\$5,474.32

#### OTHER TRUSTS

1918	John M. Pressy (Library)	C.S.B.	*(1,000.00)	1,000.00	107.29	29.86	137.15	
1909	Mary Eaton (School)	C.S.B.		150.00	327.04	26.05		353.09

1944	Fred E. Nelson (Town Fund)	C.S.B.	2,500.00	2,500.00	317.93	154.02	471.95
Total Other Trust Funds - Con. Sav. Bk.							
*(1,000.00)3,650.00							
1916	Orin Nelson (Library)	N.H.S.B.	(1,000.00)1,000.00	107.82	28.47	136.29	
1916	Orin Nelson (Worthy Poor)	N.H.S.B.	1,000.00	1,000.00	786.80	97.67	884.47
1930	John Eaton (School)	N.H.S.B.	500.00	500.00	493.78	54.33	548.11
1966	Old Store Museum	N.H.S.B.	3,054.37	3,054.37	992.98	222.25	1,215.23
Total Other Trust Funds - New Hamp.							
Savings Bank							
1971	Grace P. Nelson (Library)	S.R.S.B.	4,666.6643,893.44	48,560.10	3,853.24	3,853.24	
1968	Town of Sutton Land and Bldgs. Fund	S.R.S.B.			101.99	5.58	107.57
1944	Fred E. Nelson (Library)	S.R.S.B.	5,000.00	5,000.00	334.45	293.14	365.09
1968	Capital Reserve (War Memorial)	S.R.S.B.	1,500.00	1,500.00	419.53	104.93	524.46
1959	Capital Reserve (Town Bridges)	S.R.S.B.	1,065.14	1,065.14	873.58	105.99	979.57
1961	Capital Reserve (Fire Dept.)	S.R.S.B.	250.00	2,072.15	235.30	126.14	361.44
1959	Capital Reserve (Highways)	S.R.S.B.	(9,650.00)				
4,150.00							
1966	Old Store Museum (Town Museum)	S.R.S.B.	7,063.88	7,063.88	1,817.66	486.55	1,400.00
80.12 405.91							
904.21							

1967	Douglas Anderson (Library)	S.R.S.B.	* (500.00)	500.00	53.90	14.25	68.15
1943	Lewis C. Richards	S.R.S.B.	* (300.00)	300.00	32.31	8.55	40.86
1974	Capital Reserve (Conserv. Com.)	S.R.S.B.	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Total Other Trusts - Sugar River Sav. Bk.			966.6665,544.61	66,511.27	4,194.51	5,078.49	6,030.66
Total Other Trusts - Capital Reserves All Banks			(1,033.34)	74,748.98	73,715.64	7,328.15	5,691.14
Grand Total - All Trusts - All Banks			681.66	102,575.79	103,257.45	12,853.65	7,532.93
						8,197.07	12,189.51

#### COMMON TRUST FUND

6/1/74	Sutton Free Library	Com. Trust					
	John M. Pressy	S.R.S.B.					
	Orin Nelson	S.R.S.B. Certificate No. 74-000147					

\* 2,800.00

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# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SUTTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1974

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Name of Father and Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Mother	Birthplace of Father and of Mother
March 22, 1974 New London, N.H.	Tasha Leigh Biron	F.	David A. Biron Karen A. Crowdle	No. Sutton, N.H.	New Hampshire Massachusetts
May 16, 1974 New London, N.H.	Peter Colan Whitman	M.	Michael Whitman Jean M. Fredericks	So. Sutton, N.H.	Pennsylvania New York
Nov. 13, 1974 New London, N.H.	Daniel Clifton Partridge	M.	Lawrence W. Partridge Marie D. Young	Sutton, N.H.	New Hampshire New Hampshire
Nov. 24, 1974 Concord, N.H.	Jennifer Chalmers	F.	Andrew J. Chalmers II Tepa E. Carl	So. Sutton, N.H.	New York Massachusetts
Dec. 10, 1974 Concord, N.H.	Arthur Allen Denman IV	M.	Arthur Allen Denman II Elizabeth Jane Land	No. Sutton, N.H.	Rhode Island California

George H. Hosmer, Sr.  
Town Clerk  
Sutton, N.H.



# MARRIAGES

Marriages Registered in the Town of Sutton, N.H. for the year ending December 31, 1974

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at time of Marriage	Date of Birth of Each
May 4, 1974	Newport, N.H.	Peter E. Oberst Irene L. Hagianis	Sutton, N.H. Sutton, N.H.	12/25/49 11/29/52
May 18, 1974	North Sutton, N.H.	Jerome E. Frew Joan E. Thompson	Boscawen, N.H. North Sutton, N.H.	9/21/53 4/7/54
June 1, 1974	New London, N.H.	Lawrence D. Basher Jane C. Donaghey	North Sutton, N.H. Newbury, N.H.	12/27/55 02/8/56
June 29, 1974	North Sutton, N.H.	Fred H. Keyser, Jr. Louise Ordway	Sutton, N.H. Sutton, N.H.	10/17/55 02/15/55
June 29, 1974	Wilmot, N.H.	Victor M. Stewart Gloria E. McDonald	Wilmot, N.H. Sutton, N.H.	11/24/53 08/8/57
July 6, 1974	Sutton, N.H.	Mark D. deCastrique Linda A. Sawyer	Dist. of Columbia Dist. of Columbia	11/3/48 01/5/45
July 6, 1974	North Sutton, N.H.	William R. Hayes, Jr. Penelope Pearson	North Sutton, N.H. North Sutton, N.H.	07/7/52 06/20/52
August 4, 1974	South Sutton, N.H.	Andrew J. Chalmers, II Tepa E. Carl	South Sutton, N.H. South Sutton, N.H.	12/23/54 12/15/53
October 1, 1974	North Sutton, N.H.	Michael C. Pugliese, Jr. Diane J. Thompson	Sutton, N.H. Sutton, N.H.	07/28/54 08/10/54
December 26, 1974	New London, N.H.	Arthur J. Shay Sandra C. Vieira	North Sutton, N.H. North Sutton, N.H.	04/15/43 09/9/47

# DEATHS

Deaths registered in the Town of Sutton, New Hampshire for the year ending December 31, 1974

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age	Place of Birth
Jan. 19, 1974	New London, N.H.	Earle P. Chadwick	79	Sutton, N.H.
Feb. 5, 1974	New London, N.H.	Anna Kutzner	71	Germany
Feb. 17, 1974	New London, N.H.	Arthur H. Philbrick	80	Warner, N.H.
Feb. 23, 1974	Hanover, N.H.	George Hersey	66	-----
March 3, 1974	Concord, N.H.	Harvey P. Chadwick	57	Sutton, N.H.
March 7, 1974	Sutton, N.H.	Kathryn Braley	18	Tennessee
March 9, 1974	New London, N.H.	Bernard A. Howe	82	Laconia, N.H.
April 28, 1974	Springfield, N.H.	Alice M. Davis	83	Sutton, N.H.
June 27, 1974	Sutton, N.H.	Robert G. Braffitt	60	Newton, Mass.
July 10, 1974	New London, N.H.	James C.M. Tillinghast	74	Pennsylvania
July 29, 1974	New London, N.H.	Dorothy M. Marcotti	58	Plaistow, N.H.
September 2, 1974	New London, N.H.	Arthur E. Davis	89	Sutton, N.H.
September 14, 1974	New London, N.H.	William A. Hosmer	66	Sutton, N.H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

George H. Hosmer, Sr.

Town Clerk

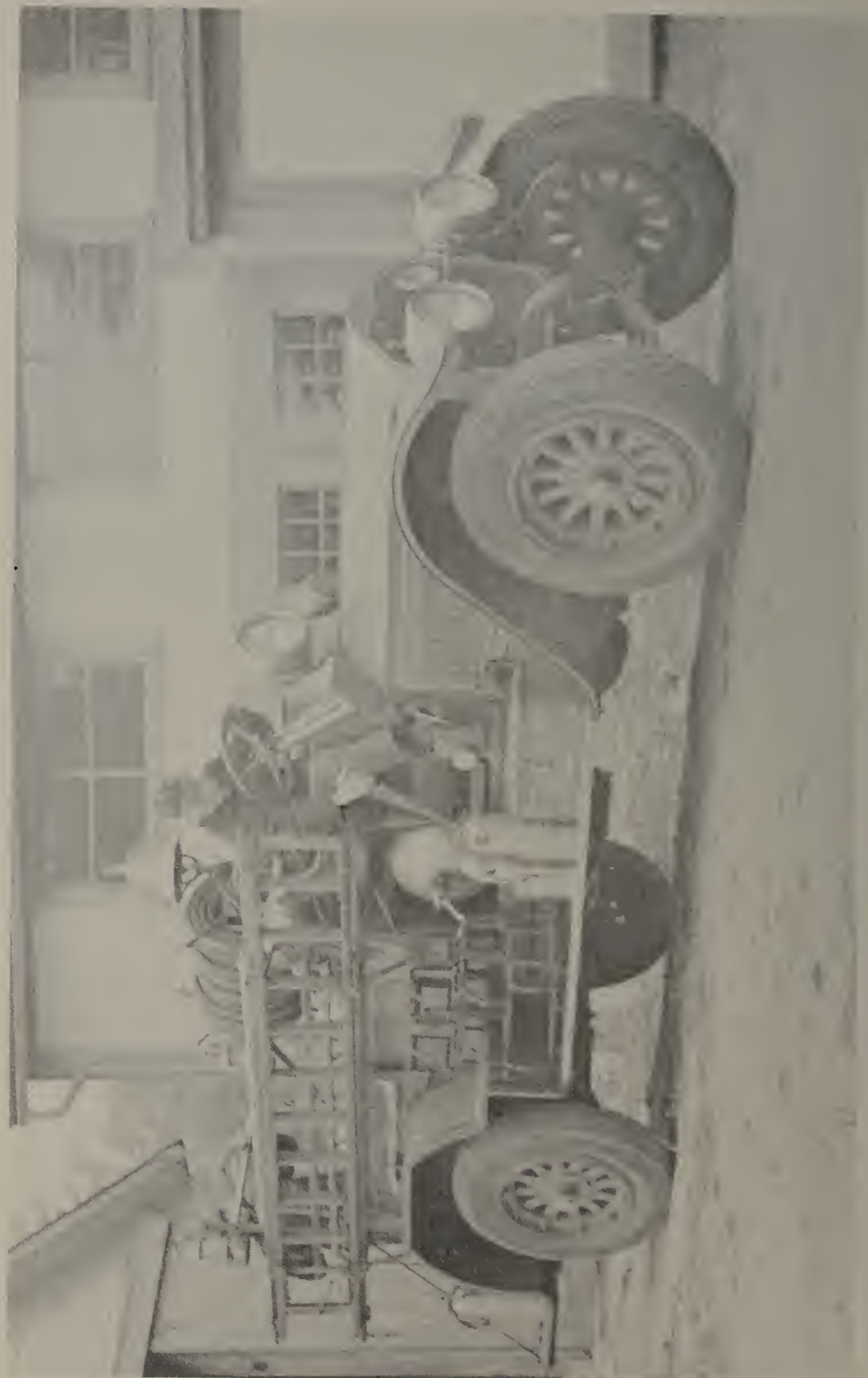












*Vernon F. West driving the American-LaFrance truck out of the garage at the Follansbee Inn. The first shelter for the fire equipment. The name of Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., painted on the hood, the place from which the truck was acquired.*